All parties agree to formula for Rhodesia ceasefire

A ceasefire in Rhodesia was agreed yesterday by all the will fly to Salisbury to assume full power. If final agreement parties involved in the Lancaster House talks. It is hoped all the details can be worked out in the next few days and the war brought to a speedy end. Then, a British governor

is not reached on ceasefire details by the weekend the Cabinet intends to send out an acting or deputy governor to "keep up the momentum .

Acting governor flies to Salisbury at weekend

By David Spanier

Diplomatic Correspondent
A ceasefire in Rhodesia was agreed by all the parties to the constitutional conference yesterday, based on the plan put forward by Lord Carrington, the conference chairman, a week ago

The implementation of the ceasefire will be discussed immediately; in the hope that all the details can: be worked out in the next two or three days, and the war brought to

an end without delay.
[The Cabinet is planning to send an acting or deputy Governor to Salisbury by about next Sunday even if no final agreement has been reached on creasefire details (Fred Emery, Our Political Editor writes). Likely candidates for this mission are understood to include Sir Antony Duff, deputy Permanent. Under Secretary of State at the Foreign Office, and Sir John Paul, a former colonial governor and at present Lieutenant Governor of the isie of Man.

While the Government would pre-fer a "first class" agreement by

Governor would almost certainly he Lord Scames, Lord President of the Council and member of the Cabinet, it is not prepared to wait.)

The ceasefire agreement, warmly welcomed by all three delegations, came after intensive contacts behind the scenes, at which a formula was devised to reassure the Patriotic Front guerrilla reasers on the mant issues which up till then had blocked the conference.

Much of the credit for the breakthrough goes to Mr Shridath Ramphal the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth, who it is understood played a key part in drafting the declaration which broke the deadlock.

At a short plenary session in the afternoon. Mr Mugabe said the Patriotic Front had been concerned about the disposition of their forces after a ceasefire, on the grounding of Rhodesian aircraft, and the presence of South African forces, These were issues that needed to be clari-

cord Carrington responded by

Patriotic Front that "there will he no external involvement in Rhodesia under the British Governor. The position has been made clear to all the governments concerned includ-ing South Africa".

This mention of South Africa by name is seen by the Patriotic Front as an important admission by Britain, according to their spokesmen. It appears to be the clearest point they have gained.

Secondly, Lord Carrington said the Rhodesian Air Force would be monitored effectively. Britain had in mind a monitoring force of about 1,200 men, adequate to the overall

The Patriotic Front made it clear later that when it comes to discussing the details of the implementation, they hoped to show that a larger force will be needed. Mr Mugabe then delivered the

Patriotic Front's acceptance of the British plan. He said: "In the light of your statement of 28 November and after discussions with the British delegation on a number of

details, including the details of the location and number of places for the disposition of the forces under and journalists at a Parlia-the British proposals. . We now mentary Press Gallery feel the British proposals for a luncheon harking back to the ceasefire provide the basis for an exercise of Sir Harold Wilson agreement and for moving on quickly to settle the details of the implementation.

Lord Carrington expressed his

pleasure and thanked Mr Mugabe. While the details have still to be settled, and they may prove very difficult, it is clear that the British plan has been accepted as it stands. The principal issues to be negotiated now are the identification of the assembly areas for the Patriotic Front forces and the date of the ceasefire. The Patriotic Front has

accepted the British proposal of 15 assembly areas but is insisting that ment to take these decisions. the Rhodesian forces should have the same number. Judging from Front's comments last night, all this may be hard going. Nevertheless all three delegations are anxious to

conclude the conference Continued on page 10. col 1

Mrs Thatcher voices optimism on pay as miners accept offer

By George Clark Political Correspondent

After months of preaching the need for economic sense in pay bargaining, Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, reported yesterday that there were "really encouraging signs" that workers were sorting out their pay problems in a way that would bring economic benefits to the whole nation.

"They are not on step for beer and sandwiches ", she told an audience of MPs frequently entertaining made union leaders and intervening

in pay disputes.
"No", she added. "When they have difficult industrial relations problems they are sorting them out themselves. That is what they ought to be doing. We saw how the people at Charing Cross hospital helatedly sorted out the problems themselves. At British Leyland, they have started to

sort it out themselves. That is what democracy is all about." It was not for central government to take these decisions. It was for people to take responsibility for the decisions, recognizing they were part of a wider society. Economic sense was engendering a willingness to restrain pay claims.

She was particularly cheered by the miners' ballot, which accepted the National Coal Board's 20 per cent pay offer.

"We had fixed a cash limit of £600m a year for coal. We hope to get a lot of money out of oil but, with the coal, we are purring a lot of money in. That was a small proportion of the industry's income, and after that we asked the two

sides to negotiate." The result was one of "the signs that our philosophy and beliefs strike a chord in the hearts of most people, who understand the basic economic facts" she said.

At British Leyland, she knew that she must not interfere because Sir Michael Edwardes was the chairman "and you was the chairman and you say, all right, we will change him."

'Mrs Thatcher emphasized again the importance of monetary discipline and stopping the growth of public spending in the fight to control inflation.

As a result of the Govern-ment's determination not to "print money" there were now high interest rates.

'Ir we had not let the rates go up we should not have got the money in to finance even the limited expenditure we have undertaken", she said.

Asked about Government spending in 1980-81, she pointed out that the Commentary

out that the Government's rigares still included the payment of £1,000m to Europe—
which will be substantially reduced, of that I have no doubt." In fact, she saw "just a little bit of leeway " ahead. Aliners' ballot, steel men's vote,

All Shell

could shut

More than a fifth of Britain's

oil and petrol supplies could start drying up after talks in the Shell tanker drivers' dis-

pute broke down in London last

Workers' Union executive com-

mittee will decide this morning

what action to take. A message confirming, the management's

rejection of union demands for

including the possibility that by

tonight all of Shell's 55 depots and terminals could be closed.

Mr Jack Ashwell, the union's national organizer for commer-cial transport, said after the

talks broke down that the union had offered to allow con-

tracts agreed before October 8

to continue, on condition that the suspended men were re-instated and paid for the period of suspension. The company

It said that it was surprised

the union had tried to intro-

duce pay productivity and the

rationalization plan into the negotiations. A statement said

the company had carefully con-

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your Secretary

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If you must wake

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depots

today

By David Felton

Labour Reporter

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battlefield in **US-Iranian** bank war Ev Ronald Pullen

London the

Mush Wag-good from - 9.02 posts 11.02 page

The legal wrangles surround-ing Iran's blocked bank deposits in London grows more complicated. Chemical Bank, one of the big United States banks covered by President Carter's order on November 14 that all official Iranian assets in the United States banking system should be frozen, announced yesterday that it had obtained an injunction restraining fran and its central bank, Bank Markazi, from removing any assets from the jurisdiction of the English courts.

the English courts.

This is the latest legal manoeuvre in response to the Iranian central banks' efforts to unblock its essets held in the London branches of American banks.

A Chemical spokesman in New York said the injunction could be lifted if either the Iranian government or the Bank Markazi posted 551 in securities or acceptable bonds. Last week Bank Markazi issued writs against five United States banks for the return of deposits amounting to more than \$3.000m (about £1,370m). Earlier this week Citibank, one of the most hawkish of the American banks, issued a counter-writ against the central bank in an attempt to clarify whether United States banks could extend the freezing order to their overseas branches.

The international banking

ommunity is uncertain whether United States banks have the legal right to free: deposits beld in London, and the English courts have now become the focus of attention in the ecou-

omic war Chemical Bank is now claiming payment of \$50m plus interest from Iran for participation in a \$500m loan to the Shah's government granted in December, 1977. This loan has been the catalyst in the whole

Earlier this month Chase Manhattan Bank, which had arranged the loan on behalf of a number of other United States and European banks. polled the participants to see whether they should ask Iran to speed up payment because it had missed a half-yearly in-terest payment. Iran claimed that the interest had been paid, but had been caught up in the United States banking system as a result of President Carter's

freeze. In effect, the major United States banks bave called Iran to be in default of its international

reinstatement with full pay of 500 suspended drivers will go to the 20 depots and terminals still nbligations.
This action has opened up a Union officials predict a swift banks and others which do not want to be drawn into flict with Iran.

International bankers are parricularly concerned about the effect this will have on the banking system, especially as the major United States banks appear to be protecting their own interests at the expense of the rest of the international banking community.
The British authorities were

Been yesterday to play down the significance of Chemical Bank's move since they have always considered the affair sixuld be fought through the courts. Chemical's injunction relates to all assets owned by the state of Iran or Bank Markazi, including bank depo-sits, bouds, and other securities. Bank Markazi will probably seek to have it reversed.

Mr Lynch resigns as Prime Minister

From Christopher Thomas

The Irish Republic's roling Fianna Fail party will tomorrow elect a successor to Mr Jack Lynch, the Prime Minister, who esterday announced his resignation after 13 years as party

tipped as the new leader is Mr Charles Haughey, Minister for Health, who has staged a remarkable comepack after being dismissed by Mr Lynch from his Cabinet post in 1970

Mr Haughey is a seeply come the republic would executes mixed republicant with political that record thus intensitying it cal aspirations that stray very political divide in the North little from the original concepts. Northern : Ireland's biggest of Fianna Fail as laid down by party, the Official Unionists. Eamonn de Valera, the party's could be split over its refusal.

decided irrespective of the successor outcome of the 1977 election.

rebuff by

PLP saved from

chairman's vote

Payments surplus

Lady Jeser, chairman of the Parliamentary Labour Party, saved the PLP from another rebuff at the hands of its National Executive Committee by using her casting

Britain's loss of capital through the

summer relaxation of exchange controls has been more than offser by the inflow of foreign money. The result was a significant surplus of just over £450m on

the capital account of the balance of pay-

that he would resign as leader during the present parliamentary term. Other likely contenders for

the post include Mr Michael O'Kennedy, Minister for For-eign Affairs, a possible com-promise candidate, Mr Neil Blaney, an Independent Fianna The repercussions on Anglo republican views, Mr Brian Irish relations could be enor Lenihan, Minister for Fishmous. The man at present eries, Mr Desmond O'Malley, Minister for Industry and

a respected senior member of the party. Roman Catholic opinion in Roman Catholic opinion in Northern Ireland appears to be moving further a strong nationalist leader in the republic would encourage that recod, thus intensifying the.

founder to take part is the proposed Mr Lynch aged 62, has met constitutional conference. The mounting opposition from the old Vanguard grouping is right wing of his party because openly threatening to break

right wing of his party because openly threatening to bresk of his apparent shift away from away and establish a separate purist republican thought. His political force.

resignation came earlier than Our Political Editor writes: expected.

The Government was shocked. Be won control of the party as a compromise candidate tion announcement, and it was between Mr Haughey and later said in Whitehall that another rightwinger, Mr George Mrs Thatcher regretted his departure. The Government straight fight Mr Haughey is was also grateful for the new, regarded as the favourite, out if limited, border security further contenders could again arrangements to which Mr see the emergence of a unifying Lynch agreed Ministers are now apprehensive over their now apprehensive over their andidate. now apprenensive over their Mr Lynch said that he had survival under Mr Lynch's



Mayor released: Mr Bassam Shaka, the Palestinian nationalist Mayor Nablus, was carried home on the shoulders of cheering townsmen yes-terday after the Israeli Military Government of the West Bank annulled an expulsion order and released him from Ramle prison where he had been detained since November 11 (Moshe Brilliant writes from Tel Aviv).

Mr Shaka was reinstated as Mayor. but he was warned by Brigadier Binyamin Ben Eliezer, the Military Governor of Judea and Samaria, to con-Leading article, page 15 | fine himself to his mayoral duties.

Twenty-five Arab Mayors in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, who had submitted their resignations to the Military Governor in solidarity with Mr Shaka, announced that they would resume their functions.

Mr Shaka's release defused tension in the West Bank, where there have been strikes, demonstrations, protests and stoning of Israeli vehicles. Brigadier Ben Eliezer said the ad-

visory committee that he appointed to hear Mr Shaka's appeal had found the security considerations on which the expulsion order was based to be substantiated, but it recommended a reappraisal of the decision.

The Brigadier said that in deciding to cancel the order he took into account the welfare of Nablus and of the Shaka family, as well as a state-ment by Mr Shaka opposing acts of violence.

The action against Mr Shaka stemmed from a statement he made in private to Major-General Danny Matt. the Coordinator of Operations in the Occupied Areas, which was interpreted as approval of a terrorist action in which 34 Israelis died.

Emphasis on examination

on examination results is con-Schools Inspectorate, published yesterday by the Department of Education and Science. Page 8

survey of maintained secondary schools in England.

of State for Education and Science, told the Commons that he hoped the report would be carefully studied, especially by the local education authorities and teachers. "I believe it has an important contribution to make to the further development of secondary education he said.

tribution to the debate on education.

The survey indicated that schools were on the whole point ing in the right direction, and that most teachers and pupils were working hard, but that there was room for improve-ment in many areas, and cause for serious concern in a few.

The report shows that over emphasis on examination results in the past two years of com-pulsory schooling is crippling iditiative, curiosity and pupils ability to discriminate. The Government plans to require all schools to publish their exam-

providing a reasonable educa-tion for the child of above average ability, provision for the less able needed urgent attention in many areas, The inspectors advocate a single system of examining at

Less than 5 per cent of schools were considered too permissive, while nearly one fifth were too authoritarian. ralled "progressive" teaching methods. Courses in "modern" mathematics were found more effective than traditional mathe-

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mine, for the crippling brain inpital was set aside by the Court of Appeal yesterday.

By a two-to-one majority, the court cleared Mr Joseph Jordan, aged 40, a consultant obstetrician, of negligence in attending Mrs Eilean Whitebouse, of Rowney Green Lane, Alva-church, Hereford and Worces ter, when she gave birth to the boy, her first child, after 22 hours in labour.

The court allowed an appeal by Mr Jordan and Birmingham

a decision of Mr Justice Bush at Birmingham High Court last with forceps before carrying out a Caesarean section.

"with every care and skill" in what was regarded by everyone as a high-risk case. Lord Justice Lawton agreed that negligence had not been proved against Mr Jordan but Lord Justice Donaldson said he

Law Report, page 13

success criticized By Diana Geddes Education Correspondent Criticism of many aspects of the Government's attitude toward secondary education, particularly regarding emphasis

The report contains the results of the first national

Government is implicit, the message from the inspectors, who take pride in their inde-pendence, is clear. There is also criticism of parents, employers, and the general public for the distorting pressures they put on

and providing a valuable con-

Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, said Mr Jordan acted

bave dismissed the

ments between June and September Page 21 Russian withdrawal The first of 1,000 Soviet tanks left the East German town of Wittenberg in fulfilment of President Brezhnev's offer

of unilateral troop withdrawal. Nato welcomed the move but pointed out that the withdrawals represented only a fraction of Russia's great superiority in armoured forces in Central Europe Page 8

EEC budget wrangle The budge: committee of the European Parliament has reaffirmed its recommendamon that the 1980 budget submitted by FEC states should be rejected and a new drait requested. Committee sources consider it "extremely probable" that the accessory majority could be found in

Parliament to carry out its advice Page 8 Storms bring floods

High winds and torremial rain overnight brought flooding to much of Wales and the North-west. Many roads were impassable, with flooding up to four-feet drep in places. Page 2

Hospital fire kills five Firefighters were not hampered by locked loors when attempts were made to rescue

Chancellor averts clash with unions

A threatened breakdown in Government' and trade union relationships was averted at a National Economic Development Council meeting. The unions were angry over the Government's handling of the National Enterprise Board, but a consiliatory approach by Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, prevented the breach from widening Page 21 vote. The party was discussing who should prepare its election manifesto; some members wanted it to be drawn up by the NEC and presented to MPs as a fair accomplibut Lady Jeger disagreed Page 2

Two jailed for life

A wife who got her lover to bludgeon her transvestite husband to death was sen-tenced to life imprisonment. Mrs Margaret Chapman and her lover, Peter West, were both found guilty after the jury at St Albans Crown Court returned unanimous verdicts. West was also given a life sen-

A better Britain

In the past 30 years Britain's standard of living has improved to such an extent that what were once considered luxury goods are now taken for granted, a report says. Material well-being continues to increase despite the effects of inflation. Page 7

Meccano reconsiders

Union hopes of keeping the Meccano and Dinky Toys plant in Liverpool going received a boost when Airfix Industries agreed to "reconsider" its decision to close the factory with the loss of 900 jobs. But management said its purpose was merely to examine the position regarding employment laws Page 22

Iran acquittal hint

The Iranians now seem to be making preparations for the trial of the 49 American embassy staff held hostage in Tehran.

But the secretary of the Revolutionary
Council said that if the prisoners were
acquirted of spy charges they would be
set free Page 8 Video tape in court : Evidence of police

interrogation makes legal history at Dart-

Christmas drinks : Which? advises shoppers to use a celculator to find the best buy 4 Buenes Aires: Moderate general named Argentine Army chief Scoul: South Korean security chief curned re women who died in a blaze at a Seoul': South Korean security chief turned nental hospital at Doston, Northampton, on President because of jealousy, prosecution claims.

French seek new way to stop pollution

The French Foreign Ministry has expressed regret that the Bonn convention on cleaning up the Rhine could not be ratified. This was abandoned because the Socialists. Communists and Gaussists would all vote against it. The government is to carry out a new technological survey to find another way of disposing of the brine westage of the Alsace Patash Mines than dumping it into the Rhine Page 8

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were again neglected Financial Editor : Pilkington takes the plunge ;

Rass gaining markets

Although the criticism of the ination results every year. While schools were generally Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary 16-plus The report favours railed "progressive" tea The main teachers' unions welcomed the report, which they saw as broadly reassuring matics. £100,000 award set aside An award of £100,000 dam. Area Health Authority against ages to Stuart Whitehouse, aged juries he suffered during birth December that Mr Jordan at Birmingham Maternity flos- "pulled too hard and too long"

ME NEWS____

ay policy hurdle cleared in miners' deal said yesterday that he would be arguing still for the full claim-

The Government has cleared the most critical burdle in its campaign to win trade union acceptance of the need for realistic wage settlements after the clear vote from coalminers accept the National Coal

Roard's pay offer.

Although the impending settlement of 20 per cent in the industry is still regarded as too high by ministers, they were relieved that the miners had decisively rejected their union executive's call for authority to mount a national strike to drive up the price of peace in the industry.

The final result of the pithead ballot was: in favour of the National Union of Minedation, 107,656 (48.75 per cent); against, 113,160 (51.25). The poll was 87 per cent, unusually high even for the miners. Mr. Joseph Gormley, NUM president, said: "The offer has been accounted you control to the miners." accepted. You cannot interpret it any other way."

how the miners voted:

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Notts	35	77
S Wales	54	93
Durham	47	86
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officials	20	39
Scotland	64	87
Midlands	30	73
Derbyshire	49	87
North West	46	82
N'berland	45	84
Durham Mechs	33	77
Scots Craftsmen	56	81
Cokemen	26	67
Mids Craftsmen	18	56
S Derbyshire	22	70
Leicestershire	22	62
Kent	48	90
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N Wales	20	79
Cumberland	42	85
Yorks GMWU		
members	30	59
Durham Enginmi	n 19	61
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strike authority 49

BL' inquiry

report out

By Clifford Webb

Correspondent

Midlands Industrial

next month

The Amaigamated Union of

Engineering Workers' inquiry into the dismissal of Mr Derek

Robinson the BL shop stewards' leader, will not be able to report its findings before the

middle of next month, it was stated when the inquiry opened

n the union's Birmingham

The six-week delay is bound

to antagonize Mr Robinson's

supporters, who have already

criticized the decision to hold

an inquiry as an attempt to

resolve the confrontation which

It had been thought that the

Gerry Russell and Mr John

inquiry team of Mr Ken Cure

Weakley, all moderate members of the union's national execu-

tive, would announce their findings before Christmas. If

they report that Mr Robinson

was unfairly dismissed Mr Terence Duffy, the union's president, has said that he will have no choice but to call an

will take place on December 17

Mr Robinson, Mr Jack Adams,

secretary of the BL unofficial joint shop stewards committee.

Mr Bert Benson and Mr Bill-Jordan, Midlands officials of the

union, gave evidence before lunch yesterday.

When the inquiry is resumed Birmingham on Deember 17,

the day will be given to taking evidence from Mr Robinson,

shop steward colleagues and

A man who once ran a Soho-

based pornography syndicate is

thought by Irish police to have

a drugs squad raided two farm-

houses in the village of Hospital.

authorities in Britain or Ireland

full-time union officials.

Drug factory is

found in Eire

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official strike.

and January 9.

the Coal Board today to sign the agreement that they rejec-ted unanimously only two weeks ago. Few of them emerge with any credit from the debacle. One is cortainly Mr Gormley, who had favoured a settlement, and another is Mr Arthur Scargill, left-wing leader of the Workshire miners, whose electoral machine has proved its effectiveness once again. That will be a key factor in the race for the NUM presi-dency which cannot be delayed much longer. Asked if he would now retire. Mr Gormley said yesterday that he would be considering his position.

Whatever its impact on the internal politics of the mine-workers' union, the ballot result has certainly proved a source of significant satisfaction to the Cabinet Mrs Margaret Thatcher said: "I need hardly say how pleased I

showed the required 55 per cent majority for strike in only three areas of the NUM: Yorkshire. areas of the NUM: Yorkshire, which scored an impressive 73 per cent vote for militancy; Scotland (64 per cent) and the Scottish craftsmen (56 per cent). The South Wales miners, traditionally leaders in this field, got a simple majority of 54 per cent but dot enough to satisfy the requirement of NUM rules. Every other areas yound. rules. Every other area voted "No," and the executive recommendation fell miserably

in the big fields of Notting-hamshire, Durham, Lancashire, and the Midlands.

Mr Michael McGahey, president of the Scottish miners and the union's national rice-president, blamed the NUM president, obtained the transfer for sabotaging the original claim for rises of 35 to 63 per cent by indicating to the NCB that they would accept 25 per cent. That meant that the miners were being asked to authorize a strike for only 5 per cent more than the NCB had

Mr Scargill said he was disappointed with the overall result, but absolutely delighted with the result in his own coalfield. "I regard that as a massive vote of confidence", he

Parliamentary Correspondent

Mr John Biffen, Chief Sec-retary to the Treasury, sent alarm warnings clanging through the Labour beaches in the Commons yesterday when he pointedly refused to confirm

that there would be no more cuts in public spending in the next financial year above those

already accounted for in the White Paper on the government

Opening a debare on the White Paper, he said that pub-lic spending on a massive scale

had been a significant destabil-

izing element in the economy

than to say that the situation would be kept under review and that unexpected develop-

ments could force the Govern-ment to take further action. The

extent to which present plans could be fulfilled, he said, de-

expenditure plan for 1980-81.

Westminster



Mr Joseph Gormley: "The offer has been accepted".

Mr Biffen's reticence as indi- domestic product suggested a

sion." In the run up to the ballot, the coal board plugged

strike action was a vote for

drop of 2 per cent and through-out the world there was great

international uncertainty.
Wherever one looked there

was evidence of a pause in world economic activity and in

the levels of world trade. Mr Biffen agreed with Labour MPs

that the cuts already announced

could not be accounted for

merely by cutting back on waste and administrative costs

and that there would have to be cuts in services.

oe cuts in services.

Mr Healey, was in an unusually constructive frame of

mind Describing Mr Biffen's activities as "saloon bar economics", and saying that the Cabinet was split between the

An Opposition amendment calling for the rejection of the White Paper because it would

lead to higher unemployment

poorer public services and in

creasing inflation was defeated by 302 to 249, Government majority 53. The White Paper

was then approved by 301 to

232, Government majority 69. Parliamentary report, page 6

the message that a vote

The settlement, details of result: "The mineworkers' which are expected to be decision means that we can go agreed today, will put face on working together to defend workers on a minimum of our markets and jobs, and to £101.95 a week, and production continue our industry's expanbonuses, that averaged more than £26 at the last count more than six months ago, will prob-ably push actual earnings at the face close to the £140 target laid down by the NUM annual

cating that there would be

further cuts next year. The Chief Secretary, he said, made

it pretty clear by the way he was dodging questions that he

What Mr Biffen did make

clear was that there would cer-tainly be "substantial reduc-

tions" in the spending plans of the previous Labour Government

for the years after 1980-81. He told the House that the Govern-

ment had been reviewing shose plans and the revised figures

would be published in a White Paper early in the new year for the years up to 1983-84. He

about the seriousness of the

forcing the Government's band.
Whereas the Prime Minister
seemed doubtful that a reces-

sion existed, Mr Biffen was in

recession which was

was planning new cuts.

Mr Biffen hints at more cuts

to higher coal imports by the industry's big customersindustry's big customers— electricity generating and steel. Scargill warning: Mr Scargill conference in July. Sir Derek Ezra, chairman of the NCB, said on being told the

at today's executive meeting, in support of his own membership in Yorkshire (the Press Asso-ciation reports). But, he said: "I accept the decision of the miners' ballot because I am a democrat: I would accept there will be no call for strike action anywhere because we have had a democratic ballot." He still believed a higher claim could have been settled without industrial action. At a conference organized by the Institute of Directors, he warned the Government that it

was sitting on a "political rime-bomb" with its trade union reform laws. It was a unprecedented scale", he told businessmen in London.

Mr Scargill said the proposed restriction on picketing was potentially the most dangerous challenge to the trade union

He predicted a period of poli-tical crisis with confrontation and mass arrests if there was any attempt to claim damages picketing.

limons would refuse to pay he said, and the courts would have to jail either the pickets or the union leaders or both. Other unions then would strike

"We would, in a nutshell, be facing a class political confrontation o fa magnitude unimaginable only a few months ago ", Mr Scargill said,

"I can assure anyone that workers will respond in a united way to what they see as an unwarranted attack on the trade union movement.

"The trade union movement has made its position clear, and if this Government has learned any lesson at all from the experiences of the past few years. it will recognize the political facts of life and drop this highly problematic mess of political pottage before it is too late." Mr Scargill said the proposals for secret postal ballots for

unions as "subtle interference" in union affairs.

Mr Jenkins

That was the message of Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberals in a party political broadcast last night. "The need to break up the

present two-party system has never been more pressing", Mr Steel said. said his party allies and support

Mr Steel WOOS

By Our Political Staff In his desire to see created In his desire to see created a radical social democratic party and to break down the present pattern of British-politics, Mr Roy Jenkins, rhe former Labour politician, has no need to look farther than the Liberal Party.

The corporation has offered

the unions a £24m wage parkage from Jamuary 1, payable as an across-the-board rise of 2 per cent. In addition, the corpora-tion is willing to negotiate local roductivity deals giving up to plant level.

Support for Mr Callaghan rescued by Lady Jeger's vote it charged that Mr Callaghan

Political Editor

BSC as

to strike

heavily defeated.

men refuse

The first sign that the British Steel Corporation may win the support of some of its

unions came yesterday when a proposal for a national strike

the National Union of Blast-

furnacemen Ore Miners, Coke Workers and Kindred Trades in

support of steelworkers at Corby, Northamptonshire, who

are fighting against partial

Mr Hector Smith, the union's

general secretary, said yester-day: "The executive was very

disappointed that the recommendation was turned down.
But I would not advise the steel

corporation to assume they will

not take action if they are pressed further. The executive

has the power to order other.

"We have not given up the fight for Corby. We will sup-port the TUC steel committee's

riews". The rejection of an all-out strike over Corby by the blastfurnace workers union was not unexpected. Their own

jobs in various parts of the country are also threatened.

The vote was taken in the knowledge that the BSC management threatened to cut

management threatened to chi 55.000 jobs and limit this year's rise in basic pay to 2 per cent. The union executive yesterday formally rejected the offer. Mr Smith said: "We are seeking a further meeting with the

corporation to try to open up other avenues."

He did not see any point in productivity talks.

Craftsmen's decisions: A further sign of support for BSC

came from leaders of 35,000 craftsmen in the industry (our

Labour Editor writes). The leaders were debating the cor-

porarion's offer of 2 per cent plus productivity bargaining. The National Craftsmen's Co-ordinating Committee did not reject the offer outright, as the Iron and Steel Trades Confed-

eration, the largest union in the industry, has done, but agreed

to take it to the executive of

eration. Further talks are to take

place with the craftsmen early in the new year, by which time the artitude of the confederation will be clear. Regional meetings of steelworkers are being held in advance of to-

morrow's meeting of the con-

federation executive, which is

expected to threaten a strike

industrial action.

Only the casting vote of the, thairman, Lady Jeger, yesterday saved Mr. James Callaghan and the Parliamentary Labour Party from another rebuff at the hands of the party's national executive.

by 12,000 blast furnacemen was heated discussion was prepara-tion of the party's election manifesto, which last October's They roted by 57 lodges to: 10 against a stoppage proposal pur forward by the executive of party conference voted, in principle, to give the NEC alone for final decision.

Mr. Wedgwood Benn and Mr. Eric Heffer had drawn up a paper recommending prepara-tion by the NEC of a rolling manifesto with continuous updating. Mr Benn wanted that document endorsed yesterday, and then to have the manifesto discussed with the Parliamentary Labour Party in effect presenting MPs with a fair accompli Inspead, the National hyperseconds of the Parliamentary Labour Party in effect presenting means the National Accounts Committee Parliamentary Executive Committee voted by nine to eight for a slightly softer move by Miss Joan Les-

This was that the document's recommendations be received as a basis for discus-

had last April faced them with

a fait accompli.

Mr Callaghan explained, according to Mr Hayward, that he had intended to have lots of manifesto meerings with the NEC but that the Government had been unexpectedly defeated over devolution and The issue for this week's forced into an election. He eated discussion was prepara said he did not see much discussion was prepara ference between a so-called rolling manifesto and the party

programmes that are concinually updated.

Anyway the Benn-Heffer document meant that the NEC would draw up the manifesto and more or less say to the PLP: "You get on with it." Without goodwill, Mr Callaghan is reported to have said, the NEC could not foist a manifesto on to the party.

feste on to the party. Hayward, replied by observing that the PLP had not been consulted over the 5 per cent pay limit, the 1976 spending cuts nor the EEC. He insisted with a manifesto, and not wait

ment's recommendations be before an election.

sion with the PLP and the single-state of the party's forthcoming commission of inquity.

In the discussion, as mission of inquity general secretary, Mr Benn was opposed by Mr Gallaghan, Mr Michael Foot, deputy discussion of the included Eacks, the Opposition from Mr David Basnett, who, Michael Eacks, the Opposition from Mr David Basnett, who, Michael Eacks, the Opposition from Mr David Basnett, who, Michael Eacks, the Opposition from Mr David Basnett, who, Michael Eacks, the Opposition from Mr David Basnett, who, as chairman of Trades Unions for Labour Victory, alleges that it is unbalanced to the left. A meeting was being sought before Christmas.

The NEC sought the changes in manifestomaking from those laid down by clause 5 of the party constitution, because

Cover-up warning by MP on Labour infiltration

By George Clark

Political Correspondent By keeping under lock and key documents describing the methods used by left-wing ex-tremists to infiltrate constituency Labour parties, the national executive of the party lays itself open to charges of a "cover up", Mr Neville Sandelson, Labour MP for Hidlingdon, Hayes and Harlington, said last night.

Because he has been refused a sight of the documents, con-sidered by a party subcommit-ted in 1977, Mr Sandelson released copies of letters he had sent to Mr Ron Hayward, gen-eral secretary of the party in November. Mr Sandelson is under attack in his own constituency party by militants.

next month over the wage offer and BSC proposals to close plants with a loss of 55,000 jobs. In reply to Mr Sandelson's first letter, Mr Heyward said that the subcommittee reported on the documents to the party conference in 1977 and the report was accepted. He had no authority to issue documenta-

tion other than that report, which was published. Protesting at that, Mr Sandelconference of a report made by a handful of the NEC should preclude any further interest in or consideration of the evi-dence on which that report was based.

"That would be a dangerously authoritarian approach and a far cry from the concepts of open government and grass-roots democracy which we all preach at the present time."

Possibly the NEC group believed publication would have needlessly fuelled public anxiety about "entryism", Mr Sandelson wrote, but that would have been a mistaken decision by any democratic criteria. "We are dealing with an examination of documents nearly three years ago, since when there has been mounting evidence of organized infiltration within the Labour Party.

"The time has surely come for a fresh evaluation of those documents. Keeping them under lock and key will inevitably give rise to more than just the suspicion of a cover up." He said last night that he released the correspondence to the press because the NEC had persistently ignored any re-quests he had made for an in-

coud not say anything about the contents of that White Treasury monetarists and the more cautious ministers in over recent years. in an appeal obviously made in per cent more, but payable with the by-election at Heriford shire, South-West in mind, Mr son wrote to Mr Hayward on December 4: "I hope you are other departments, he said his policies would not have pro-As Labour MPs questioned Mr Biffen, however, was in him repeatedly on the possibi-ity of further cuts, Mr Biffen stark contrast to Mrs Thatcher refused to commit himself, other earlier at another function in the Palace of Westminster rate with a monetary growth

night rain brought floods to many parts of Wales and the North-west of England yester-day. The storms caused diffi-culties for motorists in many

In Wales, more than an inch of rain fell in places. Scores of roads were under water, some to a depth of four feet. The A5

to a depth of tour feet. The AS was closed for a time south of Betws-v-Coed and at Llandegai and Menai Bridge ...

The River Dowey overflowed in the Machynlleth area and several feet of floodwater closed

Wales and North-west suffer in storms

Strong winds and heavy overnight rain brought floods to
many parts of Wales and the
North-west of England yesterday. The storms caused difficulties for motorists in many
of rain fell in places. Scores of
roads were under water, some
for an early storm on the A487 to light traffic at while safety checks are made
Derwen-las. The B4404 Machynla at Friars Upper School, where
nearly storms caused diffiunder water, but said to be
passable with extreme care.

Elsewhere in Britain, the RAC
warned motorway drivers to reduce speeds because of the high
to higher ground and many winds. The M1 and M4 were
country roads were impassable, worst affected and there was a
Flood warnings were also

Flood warnings

Fl issued for the Severe and the Bridge.

areas at high tide. An inch of rain fell overnight
At Bangor 700 children are in the area. Flooding was also
having the rest of the week off reported in Halewood

Wye in Mid-Wales. In the North-west there were There were fears that more floods 3tt deep on the A580 floods could be caused in coastal at Worsley, Greater Manchester. In the North-west there were

'rubber stamp' acceptance by 'ruling in his local party. Boy, 4, killed by pillar collapse

Carl James, aged four, was killed last night when the pillar at the end of a wall collapsed and buried him as he played near his home in Courthouse Road, Maidenhead, Berksnire.

He was released by neighbours and ambulancemen who dug with their bare bands in the rubble. He was taken to Wexham Park Hospital, Slough, but was found to be dead on arrival. Police said: "At the moment the circumstances of the accident are not clear but

However, Mr Cure revealed yesterday that further hearings Only 17 Tories intended

not to vote

By Our Political Editor An adjustment from 19 to 17 deliberate abstentions was made yesterday by Conservative whips on Tuesday night's vote on the proposed immigration rules. Although 19 Conservatives did not vote, it was explained

resterday that Mr John Biffen, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, was indisposed and that Mr Dennis Walters, MP for Westbury, inadvertently missed the second vote and did not intend to abstain.

disciplined, if only because no one can think of what to do to them. All had made their position clear to the whips before-hand, and all had been told that

organized a drug factory dis-The factory was found when In government quarters yes-terday it was reiterated that the final draft of the proposed immigration rules to be laid before the House would be amended to accommodate some co Limerick. The suspected man has not been seen by the of the concerns expressed in Tuesday's debate.

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Shell dispute disrupts bus services in Scotland

Continued from page 1

pended to a significant extent on pay and price increases.

Opening the debate for the Opposition, Mr Healey, the former Chancellor, interpreted promising. Forecast of gross

The Esso dispute is separate from the Shell issue and the overtime ban is a response to the company's refusal to increase its pay offer of about 20 per cent. Shell drivers have rejected a similar offer, but Mr Ashwell said last night: "I foresee a sentlement of the pay

In addition Esso tanker drivers at 35 depots have threatened to start an overtime ban from today. Esso said it could lead to a third of its supplies being affected.

The Shell dispute came to a head last week when the 500 men at 14 depots refused to cooperate with contract labour and were suspended. The TGWU executive will be under pressure from the negotiators to make the dispute official. However, there appears tiators to be little linelihood at present of the dispute spreading to other oil companies.

Scottish disruption: The Shell

dispute continued to disrupt bus services in the west of Scotland and in Fife yesterday (a Staff Reporter writes:

Some Shell garages in the central belt ran dry and it was forecast that all bus services in Glasgow and Dundee would run to a halt by the weekend un-less fuel was delivered. The Greater Glasgow Passen-

ger Transport Executive said vesterday that Glasgow's fleet of a thousand buses would be withdrawn from all routes in and 6.0 am on Monday.

services only from 6.30am to 9am and from 4pm to 6pm

the city between 6pm on Friday Glasgow has introduced peak

Mr. Charles O'Halloran, conrener of Strathclyde Regional Council, said in Glasgow yester day that 81 schools and colleges were having to be closed or partially closed to preserve fuel stocks for heating.

strangled in back seat of car

From Our Correspondent

The body of Miss Teresa Elena de Simone, aged 22, was found on the back seat of her car today. The police say that she had been sexually assaulted. She was either choked or strangled and her half-naked body was left across the car seal Det Chief Superintendant Harry Pilbeam, in charge of Hampshire CID, said that sex was the motive for the murder. The body was found only 50 yards from Southampton's central police station and law

COULTS Miss de Simone of Revnolds Road, Shirley, Southampton, had a daytime job as a clerk with the Southern Gas Board and also worked part time as a har-maid. Mrs Mary Sedotti, her mother, said that her daughter had only taken the barmaid's iob to pay for her car.

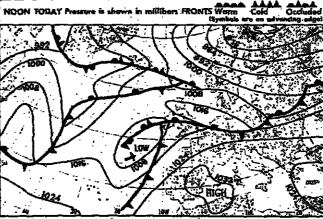
Headless bones found in forest

A headless skeleton, thought to be that of a child, has been found by police in Epping Porest, Essex. Twenty-four hours earlier a skull was discovered in undergrowth by a man but werell descrine. man out metal detecting. A pathologist will examine

the remains roday to try to establish the cause of death. Detectives searched the area near the junction of New Road and Manor Road, Buckhurst

22.000 Fiats recalled Fiat is recalling about 22,000 Mirafiori saloon, estate, super, and sports models for checks and modification, if necessary, of their steering columns. Cartier

Barmaid is found Weather forecast and recordings



light or moderate; max temp 14' to 15'C (57' to 59'F).
East Anglia, Midiands, Wales:
Mostly cloudy with rain, becoming mostly dry.from S; wind SW, light or moderate; max temp 13' to 14'C (55' to 57'F).
E; NW, NE, central N England, Lake District, Isle of Man: Mostly cloudy, dry ar first, rain spreading from S; wind SW; light or moderate; max temp 13' to 14'C (55' to 57'F).
Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Clasgow, Argyll, N Ireland: Sunny Intervals at first, becoming cloudy with rain later; wind W; light or moderate; max temp 12' to 13'C (54' to 55'F).
Outlook for temorrow and Saturday: Cloudy with rain in most places, brighter, drier weather spreading from SW, mild or very mild everywhere. Today Sun rises : 7.30 am .3.33 pm

Moon sets : Moon rises : Last quarter: December 11. Last quarter: December 11.
Lighting up: 4.23 pm to 7.21 am.
Righ Water: London Bridge, 3.11
am, 7.2m (22,6ft); 3.29 pm, 7.3m
(24,0ft). Avonmonth, 8.35 am;
(34,0ft). Avonmonth, 8.35 am;
(42,7ft). Dover, 12.04 am, 6.7m
(22,0ft); 12.18 pm, 5.6m (21,7ft).
Hull, 7.33 am, 7.1m (23,4ft); 7.45
pm, 7.2m (23,6ft). Liverpool, 12,23
am, 9.2m (30,2ft); 12,41 pm;
9.3m (30,4ft).

A trough of low pressure will move N across all parts of England and Wales. Scotland and N Ireland will be mostly dry with sundy intervals.

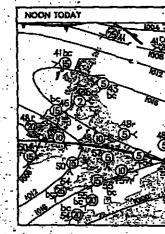
and water, scottand and it treated spreading from Sw. mild or very mild everywhere.

Intervals.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, SE, central S, SW (E): Wind SW, fresh or strong, england, Channel Islands: Goudy with rafts; becoming mostly dry with bright intervals; wind SW, strong with local gale; sea rough.

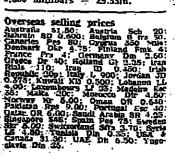
WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair;



Irish Sea: Wind S. moderate, coming fresh or strong later;

Yesterday

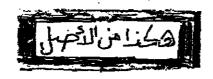
London: Temp: max. 6 am to 6 pm. 16°C (61°F): min. 6 pm to 6 am, 12°C (54°F). Humidity, 6 pm. 90 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 6 pm. 90.07iv. Sun. 24 hr to 6 pm. nii. Bar, mean sea level. 6 pm. 1.019.6 milibars, rising.
1.000 millibars = 29.53iv.





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HOME NEWS Guidelines to Roman Catholics call for sympathetic understanding of homosexuals

By Clifford Longley cesponsibility should be taken rant interpretation of that Religious Affairs Correspondent into account. Priests are teaching. While upholding the tradit reminded that in the confessional church view that homo, sional a penitent is entitled to tion yesterday was that it sexual acts are "disordered," a the benefit of the doubt: "accepted the possibility that set of guidelines publised today. Homosexuals who feel that Roman Catholic homosexuals in by the Roman Catholic Church they are not called to a life of a stable sexual relationship in England and Wales calls for celibacy and who therefore could receive Holy Communion a sympathetic understanding of choose to enter stable sexual without qualms of conscience in homosexuality and an end to relationships in preference to certain circumstances once they

ing with the affairs of the asso-

House deal was

racially biased,

crown court told

A Midlands couple whose

neighbours planned to sell their house to a coloured man were the defendants in an action at

Birmingham Crown Court yes-

Birmingham Crown Court yesterday.

It was allaged that they had tried to induce their neighbours to discriminate against the coloured buyer. The Commission for Racial Equality sought a declaration that they had acted unlawfully.

The action, described as the first of its kind in Britain, was brought by the commission against Mr and Mrs Alan Hardman, of Westmead Drive, Lang.

man, of Westmead Drive, Lang-

ley, Oldbury, West Midlands.
Mr Malcolm Knott, for the commission, said that last Sevetember, a Mr and Mrs Watkins agreed, subject to contract, to sell their house to a Mr Johal

for £16,500.

Later, Mrs Hardman telephoned to Mrs Watkins and was upset about the sale of the house to a coloured buyer. The Hardmans held a meeting of neighbours, and later asked the Watkins if they were interested in a cash offer.

in a cash offer. An offer of £16,650 was made

and accepted by Mr Warkins The hearing continues today.

Out of the frying

had been found not guilty by a jury at Snaresbrook Crown Court of stealing food from a supermarket. He will spear

'disgraced football'

day.

Mr Robert Johnson, QC, for Revie had brought disgrace to the association, said the FA had the sport, and he was subject. a duty to promote football and to the rules of the FA, which the power to exclude anyone was entitled to ban him.

Counsel for Mr Revie has not bound

who it felt had acted to harm it.

Such matters were properly dealt with by the sporting authorities rather than a judge authorities rather than a judge he was an employee under contract, not a member of the Mr Johnson was making his association.

Closing speech in the second When Mr Justice Cantley week of the hearing in which asked if football was not part Mr Revie is challenging the 10-of the entertainment industry, year han on his involvement in Mr Johnson replied that it was

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domestic football. It was im- a sport whose purpose was the

posed by an FA commission promotion of sport, not com-after he resigned as England mercial gain: manager in July, 1977, to Mr Revie had been given a manage the national team of the fair hearing by the association. United Arab Emirates.

No intelligent and informed by

United Arab Emirates.

No intelligent and informed byCounsel said football was the stander would think there was
most popular sport and the a real possibility of a mis-

of sexual acts between people in the concrete circumstances." of the same sex.

Both the Methodist Church drawn up by the Social Welfare and the Church of England have Commission of the Roman before them at the moment Catholic Bishops Conference at reports by working parties that the instigation of the National reject the traditional view and Conference of Priests, rejects both reports have run into discrimination against homomuch opposition. But those churches are answerable only to that the condition is itself not much opposition. But those churches are answerable only to themselves, while this Roman morally. Dlameworthy. The Catholic document takes its church, it adds, has a special fundamental position from the society directed at homosexuals. The moral disorder involved with its observance of tradin homosexual acts, the dach tional teaching, this latest ment states, should not lead document is unlikely to cause priests to assume that every much controversy in church such act is gravely culpable, and circles, although it is being circumstances and degree of regarded as an extremely tole-

in England and Wales calls for cenoacy and a sympathetic understanding of choose to enter stable sexual without quantage of choose to enter stable sexual without quantage of choose to enter stable sexual without quantage of certain circumstances, once they injustices against individual promiscuity are doing some had discussed their actitude with a confessor who understand most conservative of recent acceptable.

The document is the third church regards as morally unsupported as most conservative of recent acceptable.

But the document asks: "Are sexuality, and does not set out such persons necessarily culture of the problem and the intention of the church's general reaching.

It asks that clubs and societies specifically for Christian homosexuals should not automatically be regarded as

matically be regarded as morally dangerous, and social occasions organized by them should not be treated as necessarily suspect. This is believed to be the difficulty faced by organizations or Roman Catho-lic homosexuals in finding church premises for social activities.

The document also gives a warning against the assumption that homosexuality is an alterable condition, and points out the difficulties, likely to arise if a homosexual marries. The Pastoral Care of Homosexuals (Catholic Information Office, 74 Gallows Hill Lane, Abbots Lang-ley; 25p).

Mr Revie's resignation Court sees recording of suspect's sidered that Mr Don Revie enormous structure of which the brought disgrace to the sport England team is the shop winquestioning when he resigned as manager dow, he said. of the England team, the shop Mr. Johnson said it was window, of fauthall in this "simply good sense" to say country, Mr Justice Cantley was that the FA had jurisdiction told in the High Court yester over everybody involved. In the day. Mr Robert Johnson, QC, for Revie had brought disgrace to the proceeding said the FA had the growt and he was subject.

Magistrates at Dartford Kent.

vesterday became the first in Britain to see what happened when a defendant was inter-viewed in police custody. Video recordings taken of the questioning of Susan Tustin, aged 19, charged with theft, were shown to them.

For four months earlier this year the police at Dartford took part in an experiment for the Royal Commission on police procedures. During that time some interviews between suspects and the police were re-corded, but only with the Suspect's consent.

Miss Tustin, of Lansdown

Place, Hove, Sussex, appeared on four charges of theft. She denied one charge of stealing £25 from her former employers, a newsagent's in the town, and a second charge of steal most popular sport and the a real possibility of a misnumber of people who went to carriage of justice.

Watch other sports was come Referring to remarks said to
paratively trivial. Ten million have been made about Mr
people watched Match of the Revie by Sir Hareld to newsload on television. There were papers before the FA commission. There were papers before the FA commission and the court was told how Miss
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"No other sport in the country comes anywhere near it and to that which must have been when Sir Harold Thompson thought by everyone in the footchairman of the FA) is dealemployers suspected ber under-ringing some purchases and pocketing the difference. She was taken to the police sta-tion and interviewed. She was The hearing continues today. alleged to have admitted attempting to steal the money Sale of Chelsea and stealing about £30 over a

> She was taken to another room, where senior officers and scientists: from the Cranfield Institute video-taped her mak-The Government has decided to allow the Greater London Council to sell the seven-acre site of the college of St Mark and St John to Chelsea College, London University, for £18m, even though higher hills were ing a statement.
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> The video recording was pro-

duced in evidence but stopped after only a few minutes be-cause of the poor quality of the šound.

The magistrates decided to continue the case using hand-written statements,

In a letter to the council, Mr Michael Heseitine, Secretary of State for the Environment, said he had regard to the site's previous use as a college of education. Mr Roderick Wood, for the defence said he was quite un-able to listen to any more of the tape. He added: "It may well be that the courts will find such films and interviews of well be that the courts will ring sale of the 99-year lease to Chelsea College will go ahead at a ground rent of £10 a year plus a £1.8m premium. The site includes four buildings listed as of architectural or historical interest.

Offers of more than £2m had been received well be that the courts will ring such films and interviews of great significance but one must beware of the significance of a film that merely sets the scene of an interview.

The magistrates found Miss Tustin guilty of all four offences and fined her a total of £120. She was ordered to pay a total of £22 compensation.

Government abolishes two social service quangos

By Our Social Services Correspondent

site to college

given go-ahead

even though higher bids were

received.

The Government last night confirmed that it is to abolish both the Personal Social Services Council and the Central Health Services Council saving

spending cuts.

Announcing the decision in a which has now been assured of a future.

Written answer yesterday, Mr Jenkin has received many representations pleading for the State for Social Services, said retention of the PSSC since seed the services of the process. soon before magistrates on the it had been taken in the

ber of separate and overlapping channels through which mini-sters receive advice and of achieving administrative economies.

However, the answer made clear that the cost of the two bodies will not be completely A man acquirted yesterday of shoplifring was arrested as he left the court and was charged with stealing a juror's coat.

Ronald Marks, aged 54, of Wellesley Road, Illord, Essex, had been found not guilty by a jury as answer made clear that the cost of the two bodies will not be completely saved. The training function of the PSSC will be continued by the PSSC of a report stating that the most vulnerable people are at risk of being disproprionately penalized by public spending curs.

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impending closure was disclosed

interests of reducing the num- in The Times two weeks ago. Choices for pan-African security

night.

Africa was confronted, he asid, with a choice between a system of collective security and a system of international supplications of every african high the wider implications of every are as a frican high the wider implications of every are as a frican high the wider implications of every are as a frican high the wider implications of every are as a frican high the wider implications of every are as a frican high the wider implications of every are as a frican high the wider implications of every are a frican high the wider implications of every and a frican high the wider implications of every and a frican high the wider implications of every and a frican high the wider implications of every and a frican high the wider implications of every and a frican high the wider implications of every and a frican high the wider implicat

By Kenneth Gosling return Uganda to the rules of Africa should be protected Tanzania's invasion of international decency, thus Uganda have established a helping to end arbitrary rule precedent of one African in Uganda by resorting himself country invading another in to an act of international arbitrary invading another in to an act of international arbitrary invading another in to an act of international arbitrary rule in the said africa's entire identity crisis was captured in the fate of a ward of his named

Professor Ali Mazrui said in ... It was a reminder of the old his fifth talk of the 1979 Reidi American frontier days when Lectures on BBC Radio 4 last vigilance committees tried to

rigilantism: an African high command or a police force under the Organization of African Unity would provide a structure for pan-African security.

Professor Mazrui, who is professor of policical science at the Michigan University; said Dr Julius Niverere had violated interpational law partly to the Michigan house in order;

fate of a ward of his named Michael, whom he last saw in

On the day he arrived in England to record the Reith Lectures he received a letter to say that Michael, barely 20 years old, had died in the war between Uganda and Tanzania.

"When I first met him in the war Studenese he was Sudenese." When I first met min in Kampala he was Sudanese.
When he last saw him, Michael was Ugandan and a derainee in a Kenyan prisonbecause he was a Ugandan.
"Africa is almost mortally fragmented. The second largest continent of the world also happens to be the most divided."

happens divided."

Prison staff prepare for official action

By Peter Evans

Home Affairs Correspondent The Prison Officers' Associatiin is preparing to take official action unless the Home Office agrees to pay claims that have caused a bitter dispute in the service.

A subcommittee is to coordi pate plans nationally which, if put into operation, could disrupt the hard-pressed prison system. Detailed organization of action is to be at the discretion of local branches.

One issue angering officers sover claims for meal breaks, which caused the crisis in the prisons last year and brought the system to the verge of breakdown before Mr Merlyn Rees, then Home Secretary, announced the formation of the May inquiry committee. Some court proceedings were also affected also affected.

The Government has since prepared detailed secret contprepared detailed secret contingency plans in case of further trouble. The presence of terrorists and other dangerous criminals in dispersal prisons and overcrowding in local ones have created an explosive mixture. The national delegates'

It is known that some gover-nors are eager to make local agreements with their staffs to keep the prisons going.

conference of the association. held over the past two days in London, has been annoyed by what the officers called a "mierly" pay offer recommeded by the inquiry team. Mr Peter Rushworth, the

association's deputy general secretary, told delegates yesterday that unless the Home Office accepted some of the association's pay claims, the national executive would have no alternative to industrial artion-

The claims, which are not supported by the May committee, relate to a system of overtime and may mean officers taking unscheduled meal breaks as a result of extra duty. Some payments would be remospective to 1975.



Polytechnic occupation: Police talking to students who occupied the City of London Polytechnic School of Business Studies in Moorgate, London, vesterday. The occupation, which prevented hundreds of ful-time and day-release

students from all over London attending lectures and classes in law, economics and accountancy, was in protest against the Government's proposed increase in fees for overseas students (lan Bradley writes). About 14 per cent

the polytechnic's 2,500 The thirty occupying students left the building early in the evening after the polytechnic had obtained an order for repossession from a judge in chambers

NF member shouts at inquiry counsel

By Penny Symon A National Front member

A National Front member angrily interrupted a public inquiry yesterday with a shout of "You're joking!" to Mr Stephen Sedley, counsel for Hackney Council for Racial Equality, who had asked whether it would ever be the policy of a printing firm to policy of a printing firm to employ black people.

The inquiry is into Hackney Borough Council's attemot to stop the National Front, NF Properties Ltd, Benjuya Ltd and Leachouse Ltd, the printing firm, from using 73 Great Eastern Street as the offices and administrative headquarters of a political party and as a publication and distribution centre.

Michael Stubbs, Leachouse director and a three companies about how the former member of the National premises should be used.

did not print on the premises. "I have applied for planning permission to install a printing press of my own, and once I have got that approval, the firm's turnover will increase substantially", Mr Stubbs said.

"Would this mean that you would be able to offer employment opportunities in the borough, open to all races?" Mr Sedley asked. "Would you employ black people in the company?"

Mr Stubbs told the inquiry, held in Hackney Town Hall, that there was a dispute between some members of the National Front's directorate and the

Police chief alleges libel over killer hunt

claimed in the High Court yes-terday that he was libelled in The Daily Telegraph in an contend that the report was fair article which linked his move and accurate. from the CID to uniform duties with alleged criticism of the handling of the search for William Hughes, a four-times

killer. Mr Horobin told Mr Justice so incompetently. O'Connor that his request to leave the CID was made long before the Hughes incident. Mr Hughes killed four members of the Moran family before being shot dead by a police marks-

Mr Horobin, aged 42, is suing The Daily Telegraph Ltd, Mr William Deedes, the editor, and Mr Stanley Goldsmith, a jour-nalist, for damages over the article, which appeared on Feb-

Chief Supt Alfred Horobin, ruary 2, 1977, under the headof Derbyshire police, now divi-sional commander at Alfreton, chief goes back in uniform." 200

Mr David Eady, for Mr Horo bin, said that the article wrongly implied that Mr Horobin led the search for Mr Hughes. It also implied that he had done

Mr Horobin said in evidence that after seeing The Daily Telegraph article he "felt sick, distressed and dirty ".

Mr Peter Bowsher, QC, for The Daily Telegraph, suggested to Mr Horobin that so far as the Derbyshire CID was concerned he was the coordinator. Mr Horobin replied "No, I was norobin replied "No, I was not the coordinator."

The hearing continues today.

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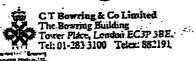
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HOME NEWS

Survey shows 'damage to the breadth and quality of education'

ducation Correspondent The last two years of com-

public exeminations, the or pholes inspectorate says in a report published yesterday. That has damaged the breatth and quality of the education given to pupils in many

The report, published by the Department of Education and Science, gives the results of a survey from 1975 to 1978 of grammar, comprehensive and secondary modern schools in England and Wales, repre-senting a 10 per cent sample of all maintained secondary schools. Each school was visited by a team of inspectors over a one-week period.

The inspections, restricted to the fourth and fifth years of secondary schooling, were par-ticularly directed at four main areas: mathematics, English, science, and personal and social development.

The dominating influence of public examinations is seen in every part of the curriculum. Schools were naturally auxious to secure examination qualifito secure examination qualifications for their pupils. Righely or wrongly, examination results were commonly perceived by the school as the sole indicator of its succession in the eyes of the community.

tended to enter as many pupils as possible for as many examias possible for as many examinations as possible, and to adopt teaching styles regarded as necessary for examination success. Those styles were not necessarily conductive either to the best examination results or the best education.

was too much heavily directed teaching, with a pre-ponderance of dictated or copied notes, emphasis on the giving and recall of informa-tion, with little room or time for inquiry or exploration of

Such an approach often produced sustained and careful in-dustry, but the inspectors doubted whether pupils were gaining sufficient experience of ordering their own efforts. The exclusive pursuit of examination results did not necess-arily promote work of quality.

Pupils and parents had a right to expect schools to pro-mote valuable personal and in-tellectual qualities such as curiosity, the ability to express views succinctly, the capacity to work as a member of a team and to work independent

lides was not incompanible with examination objectives.

Public examinations last a proper role and could benefit education. But they must be made to serve the educational process rather than determine

The fault lay less in the an-minsic value of examinations than in the way they were used. The survey indicated passystem and of the pres The public, particularly parents and employers, had some responsibility too. If schools believed that their

work was appreciated only as far as it was reflected in examination results, they would be tempted to subordinate all. else to achieving those results.

That was already leading to the entry of pupils from below the ability range for which the

examinations were designed, with consequent disappointment for the pupils or, in some schools, a high rate of absenteeism from the exami-The day to day a

pupils' work could also be im-proved. Marking of written work needed to be more criti-cal and constructive. An explicit and consistent assessment policy should be established in all schools. A big obstacle was

In most schools teachers and some solid active removes show. The great majority were orderly communities where chought and effort were given to promoting the well being of individual pupils.

The range of behaviour The range of behavious, accepted as reasonable was wide and took into account such factors as the nature of the local community and the tradition of the school. The inspectors felt that almost 80 per cent of schools struck a reasonable balance between the minimission and the authorities.

than 5 per cent too permissive Authoritarism and permissive schools alike were associated with poorly organized systems of pastoral care and poor lea-

Only 7 per rent if schools considerable behaviour difficulties among pupils. More than one fifth of the 384 schools surveyed were considerably troubled by the absence of pupils with the apparent acquiescence of parents, and a fetther 38 were

rusacy, that is, absence in-known; to parents. Vandalism was a considerable problem in only 17 schools, and theft in

Turning to styles of teaching the inspectors found that the best work was done by skilled and confident teachers who employed appropriate class, group, and individual teaching methods and inquiry based approaches to suit the kind of learning demanded.

It was clear that there was no one best way of orga pupils for all purposes. For some purposes groups of varied abilities might be suitable, while for others more homogeneous or mixed-ability groups might be more appropriate. Grouping by ability was common in most schools suitables.

In some schools, grouping into broad bands of ability wastoo rigid, and prevented pupils working at their best level in different subjects. In such schools, that type of banding tended to reinforce teachers earlier expectations of the

Mixed-ability groups were sometimes set up as a matter of policy in years four and live, but were more usually involuntary at that age level and resulted from the organization of the wide range of options offered to pupils.

In such cases, there was a tendency for the same teaching methods and materials to be methods and materials to be used for all pupils within the The introduction of a single system of examining at 16-plus might ease some of those difficulties, the inspectors sug-

Given the large measure of self-determination that schools senjoyed, they appeared re-markably similar in their broad characteristics. The establishment of comprehen-

tive schools and the raising of the school-leaving age had not-ied to any radical reshaping of The apparently wide range of options available in some schools was not necessarily re-flected in the choiceseffecti-vely available to individual pupils, nor did it necessarily

Yet the effort to provide large range of options often resulted in a complex organization that made it more diffipupils' learning, to plan and consult, and to attain a com-

and of their contribution to it. It might be time to develop a more explicit rationale of the curriculum as a whole, the ins-

pectors said. expected or encouraged pupils in the fourth and fifth years to take at least one science. But 9 per cent of boys and 17 per cent of girls in the sample did no science at all, and more

than half were studying only one science subject. Most science courses concen trated on concepts and failed to provide the opportunity to

erve applications. About two fifths of schools did not have enough laboratories. Half of full-range comprehensives and grammar schools and two thirds of other types of school needed more science books.

In physics, about 16 per cent of teachers had no qualifications and 5 per cent had no qualification in any science qualification in any science subject or in mathematics. Mathematics had a secure place in the curriculum with more than 80 per cent of pupils following courses leading to CSE or GCE examinations. Only half of the schools made adequate provision for the less able pupils and improvement of those

courses was urgent.
Traditional or modern tween the two, were found in roughly equal proportions. Modern courses appeared more

Many schools were respond ing to the demands for more numeracy by concentrating narrowly on computational skills in a way that easily became counterproductive

should include the ability to make rough estimates, and the ability to apply knowledge in fresh circumstances, the ins-

pectors said.

Availability of pocket calculators was likely to increase, and their proper use would demand radical rethinking of some parts of the mathematics. syllabus. Microcomputers could affect all areas of the curric-

A training programme was needed to improve the qualifications of 2,500 and 4,000 teachers of mathematics. Nearly a quarter of the reaching of mathematics in years four and five was by teachers lacking a qualification. Aspects of secondary education in England: A survey by HM Inspectors of Schools (Sta-tionery Office, £6.75).

to 'nose out' the Ripper

From a Staff R. Bradford

Bradford
Commander James Nevili of the Metropolitan Police said in Leeds yesterday that the murderer known as the Yorkshire Ripper was "crafty, clever and cunning and has had a long lucky run".

Mr Nevill and Det Chiet Supt Joseph Bolton, of Croydon, have been in West Yorkshire for two weeks at the request of Mr Ronald Gregory, the Chief Constable acting in an advisory capacity and helping to bring a fresh eye to the four-year-old search for the killer of 12 women.

The £750,000 advertising and poster campaign by police from

The £750,000 advertising and poster campaign by police from the Stortish border to the Midlands has so far produced about 18,000 calls from the public, many are being investigated. Mr Nevill said that despite that response no one had identified the Ripper or given a clue to his whereabours. Mr Nevill suggested people should employ what he called their "copper's nose", for the man responsible was living somewhere carrying was living somewhere carrying on normally and convincing

Danish skipper fined over

A North Sea chase, in which a British fishery protection ship, HMS Jersey, was said to have fired two warning shots when the Danish trawler, Venneberg, refused orders to stop, was described at Grimsby Magistrates' Court, Humberside, yesterday.

Mogen Jensen, aged 27, the situation developed after HMS Jersey had put a three-man boarding party on the trawler in a routine inspection in the North Sea.

Instead of obeying an order to make for Grimsby, Mr Jensen set out for his home port of Esbjerg, HMS Jersey called for a trigate.

chase in North Sea

Public asked | Mackerel fishermen accuse Government

From Trevor Fishlock Falmouth

Fishermen in Falmouth are convinced that modern fishing methods employed by large trawlers from Scotland and the east coast will wipe our mack-erel stocks in West Country

waters.
With the November to
March mackerel season well under way, they are concerned that inshore waters are being fished out, and they want the Government to force visiting trawlers to work further off-

shore.

Local men are protected by regulations which allow them to fish inshore while prohibiting larger visiting trawlers fishing inside the three-mile limit. The West County men say they need a wider buffer zone, of up to six miles, to help to conserve mackerel stocks and to guarantee the future of their industry.

"As local men we know what is happening. The way things are going it is just a matter of time before the mackerel are fished out", Mr David Culling, manager of the Falmouth depot of Cornwall Fishermen Ltd, the country's

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His cauch showed herring mixed with sprats—herring fishing is forbidden in the North Sea under EEC regulations—but the ministry would not proceed on that matter,

largest fishing cooperative, said yesterday. "We are resigned by now to the Scots and east coast men coming season We think that the Government's view on fishing in the West Country is a short-

sighted one.
"The Government is putting money into the big operators so that there are quick and large-scale returns. But the

large-scale returns. But the fishing operation will become large, unwieldy and finally uneconomic. And the local industry and the mackerel will have been sacrificed."

The West Country industry employs about 2,000 men working out of Falmouth, Plymouth, Brixham, Newlyn and smaller ports. Over the past few years mackerel catches have increased tenfold. Local men felt that they had struck men felt that they had struck the balance between good business and conservation.

Local fishermen feel that

Local rishermen feel that past lessons are not being heeded. They cite the overfishing which ruined stocks of North Sea, Icelandic and Rritish Columbian herring and Californian and South African pilchards.

Tate Gallery is given the Hepworth works

Hepworth works

The Tate Gallery has been given the Barbara Hepworth Museum at St Ives, Cornwall, after the museum ran into financial difficulties. Despite attracting 13,000 visitors a year, it has been losing £10,000 a year Dame Barbara died in 1975 in a fire in her studio in St Ives and her executors, who include Sir Norman Reid, the director of the gallery, and Professor Alan Bownes, the new director designate, used her sculptures to make a museum at the studio.

Hints for a canny **Christmas**

Consumer Affairs Correspondent

It is worth taking a calcula tor along when buying the Christmas drinks, the December issue of Which? magazine savs.

are unable to tell cheap brands of whisky from standard, or standard from de luxe.

The Consumers' Association, the publishers of Which?, conclude that cheap brands of gin, yodka, rum and vermouth are worth trying, too, although quality varies widely among sherries, ports and brandies.

Which? suggests having a calculator at hand to work out the price implications of smaller-size bottles and weaker blends. To compare a 70 cl bottle with a normal 75-7 cl one, the price of the smaller bottle has to be increased by 8 per cent.

If one spirit is only 65-5 degree proof instead of the usual 70 degree proof, the price of the weaker brand has to be increased by 6.5 per cent to make a comparison.

For people to whom such financial calculations present no difficulty another Consumers' Association publication, Money Which?, offers a more complicated exercise in celebrating a cenny Christmas.

It suggests covenanted payments to other people's child-ren, for investment in life insurance linked to building society schemes.

The tax relief on the coven-anted payments and tax sub-sidy on life insurance payments turn a £70 gift into an invest-ment of more than £120 over-night, and the total rate of return can be as high as 34 per cent.

Youth admits he threw dart at goalkeeper

yesterday.

Medical Jensen, aged 27, the Danish skipper, pleaded guilty to failing to obey the gunboat's order to stop, and was fined the maximum of £1,020.

Mr John Wyman, for the pro-secution, said that an ugly

A Nottingham Forest sup-porter who last Saturday hurled a darr at Par Jennings, the Arsenal goalkeeper, hitting him in the left arm, was angry because his team were losing 1-0, Nottingham magistrates were told yesterday.

Clifford Marriott, aged 17, an apprentice bricklayer, was remanded in custody until December 21 while reports are prepared with a view to borstal training. He pleaded guilty to malicious wounding.

Growth in heating by gas container expected to pass 700,000 this winter. By Dad van der Vat

Fears of another winter of disconnent and the unending rise in hearing costs are producing a retord boom in the sales of butane gas heaters and canisters before the cold weather has truly begun.

That form of heating, essentially a simple gas fire, completely mobile because it needs no flue (although the room in which it is used must be properly ventilated) and fuelled by a straightforwardly replaceable metal gas container, hardly existed in Britain 10 years ago.

years ago.

Mr Carl De Camps, director and general manager of Calor Gas Ltd, which dominates the butane gas tank market and also sells one of the most

popular heaters, calculated that there were already two million butane heaters in use in Britain.

They are increasingly favoured, not only by house-holders trying to cut their central heating bills by moving a heater from room to room as required, but also by public houses, restaurants, garages, shops and churches.

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The court was told that Marriott, of Basford Flats.
Nottingham, was on licence from borstal.

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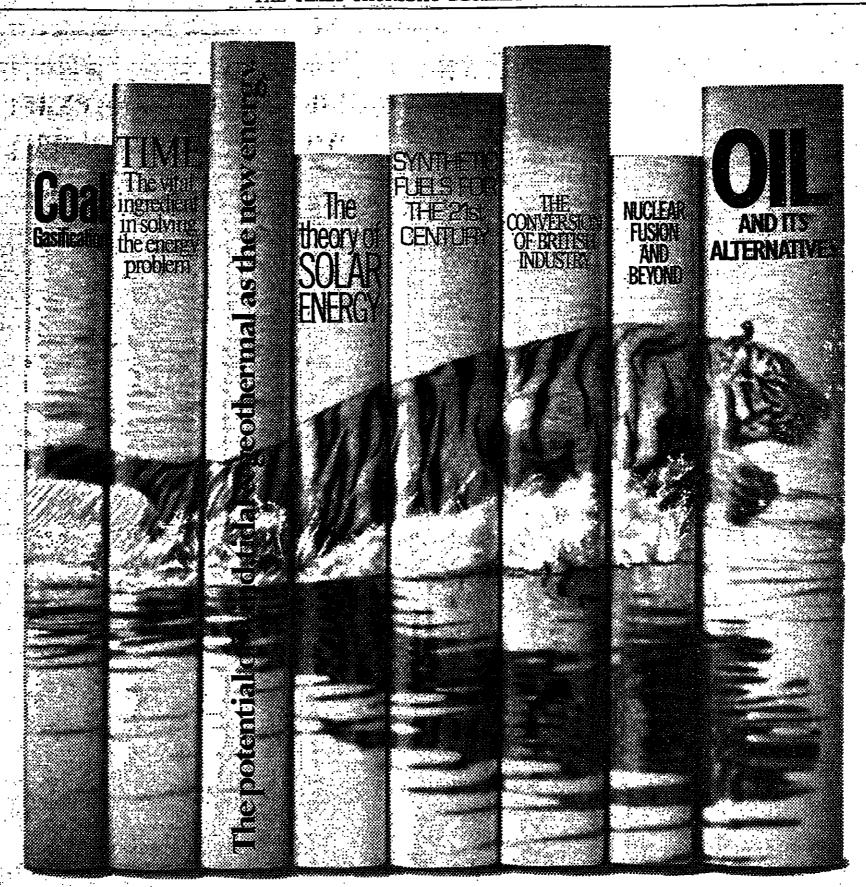
About 11,000 heaters were the Decamps attributed the boom to the increasing publicity being given to industrial unrest possibilities in winter steep since, passing 450,000 a and to the efficiency of this type of heating.

an unrelated company which makes two popular butane heaters, said there had been a shortage of both heaters and gas bottles last year.

Butane is a by-product of oil-A total of about 1.25 million tonnes of butane and its heav-duty relative propane (liquid petroleum gases) are consumed in Britain each year.

The North Sea could, it is estimated, easily produce five recunical difficulties associated with skimming of the gases from the oil are mastered.

It is quite clear that butane gas heaters are rapidly replacing paraffin stoves because they are simpler to use, potentially less dangerous and they make no smell.



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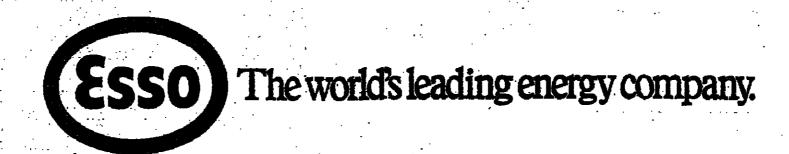
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But it is only through more efficient use of energy now that we will gain the necessary time.



PARLIAMENT, December 5, 1979.

Both sides agreed on Rhodesia ceasefire proposals

There could be no reason for delay in setting in train the arrange-ments for the ceasefire in Zimunder British authority, Lord Carr-ington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said in a statement. He aununced that both sides had administed that poin sides had agreed on a constitution which guaranteed genuine majority rule, on the pre-independence arrange-ments, and on the ceasefire propo-

Lord Carrington, in his statement, said—In the Lancaster House conference on November 22, the Government put forward full proposals for a ceasefire, on which there have since been intensive discussions. The Saitsbury delegation accepted these proposals on November 26, Ar this moment we are in touch with the Patriotic are in touch with the Patriotic Front leaders and we hope that they will shortly be able to agree. Only the detailed implementation will then remain to be discussed. We do not envisage that these discussions need take more than two or three days. than two or three days.

Both sides have now agreed on a Constitution which guarantees genuine majority rule, on the pre-

the ceasefire proposals. There can be no reason for delay in setting in train the arrangements for the ceasefire and for elections under our authority.
An Order in Council has been made and was laid before the House yesterday which provides for the appointment of a Governor with full executive and legislative

powers.
The full text of the independence constitution has been given to both delegations. It is intended that an constitution has been given to both delegations. It is intended that an anything to be monitored unless order providing for the constitution will be laid before her Majesty in Council later this week.

The Government will also introduce into the House tomorrow of infiltration which had been taking place from Mozambique and the concerned, pointing out that it is hopeless for the appropriate moment.

The process of finalising the laid before her Majesty in Council later this week.

The Patriotic Front had fears but so did the Salisbury delegation. There were fears of the scale Capital.

Mr Lloyd said: Will the minister take to those concerned, pointing out that it is hopeless for the important that the sense of House and Covernment departments to preach about adopting modern technology if we cannot do

desia. We are therefore making plans to send a Governor to Salisbury in the next few days.

After Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, had made the statement in the House of Lords, Lord Governors, Roberts (Lab), for

statement in the house of Lords, Lord Goronwy-Roberts (Lab) for the Opposition, said the sending of a Governor and recognition of Zimbabwe as an independent country must flow from a firm and lasting agreement on the ceasefire by all those at Lancaster House, Any action taken bilaterally (be said) between us and the Salisbury regime and which does not rest on

regime and which does not rest on general agreement is doomed to failure and worse.

Lord Gladwyn (L) said fears of the Patriotic Front must be seriously considered, notably those about the presence of non-presence of South African forces in Zimbabwe Rhodesia. Lord Carrington—I thought my statement rather wore hopeful than they have given me credit for. (Conservative cheers.) I am meeting the Patriotic Front and the Salisbury delegation this afternoon at Lancaster Rouse and I am extre-mely hopeful there will be an

agreement.
On South African involvement. there is no question of external intervention in Rhodesia under a intervention in Rhodesia under a British Governor.

Lord Bome of the Hirsel (C)—

Lord Carrington's patience has been exemplary. The difficulty with Lord Goronwy-Roberts' policy seems to be that it gives a permanent veto to one side, (Labour protest.)

protests.)
Lord Carrington said later that he did not envisage British troops going out until the ceasefire was agreed because there would not be monitored unless

No external interference in Zimbabwe under a British Governor

Mr Peter Shore, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs (Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar, Lab)—The House will have been encouraged by the statement. It would have been inconceivable that the conference should be allowed

the conference should be allowed to fail so near to success or that without a ceasefire the Government should despatch a British Governor to Salisbury to preside over what would have been a continuing civil war.

We look forward to early announcement of the ceasefire, would be make it plain not just that South African intervention is unthinkable when the Governor arrives in Saltsbury, but that existarrives in Salisbury, but that existing South African troops, whose presence was confirmed by their own Prime Minister only a few days ago, will be immediately withdrawn. We will look closely at the independence Bill. Can I establish that the powers he is talking about to go forward and activate the election processes and interim rule are not themselves dependent on the Bill which is the final stage of the whole story?

House of Commons

After Sir Ian Gilmour, Lord Privy
Seal and chief Foreign and Commons, had repeated Lord
Carringtou's statement on Zimbabwe Rhodesia.

Sir Ian Gilmour—On South Africa, we have made it plain that under a British Governor there will be no external interference in Zimbabwe. We have made this plain to all governments concernd.

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Better industrial climate likely to be created

if politicians stand back-Mr Biffen

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Civil Service resistance to using computers

Mr. Paul Channon, Mimister of it ourselves? State for the Civil Service (Southend, West C), said at question time that he hoped soon to have discussions with the Civil Service unions about new technology.

He was answering Mr Ian Lloyd (Havant and Waterloo, C) asked if his attention had been drawn to an alarming article in The Times describing the resistance in the Civil Service to two advanced computer systems—Camelot and Capital.

Mr Lloyd said: Will the minister it ourselves? cheers.)

Mr Channon—I againg to have discussions we technology.

Mr Renee Short (North-East, Lab)-hear the minister of the minister of the civil Service unions soon about new technology.

Mr Channon—I agree: I was hop-ing to have discussions with the be lost on the scale forecast. Mr Channon—The staff side pro-posals have been received. We are considering them and I hope for early discussions.

Public spending must be mastered or else if would misrale the nation, Mr John Biffern, Chief Sector teary to the Treasury (Oswestry, C), said in opening a debate or ment of the Environment proposed in the control was a state of the White Paper on the Government's expenditure.

Moving that the House take note of the White Paper on the Government's expenditure and 1980-81, Mr Biffen said the debate was against the general background of a steady and substantial rise in public spending which have been control or the White Paper represented.

The White Paper represented a reduction from the Repedding plans inherited from the Labour Government of about \$5,500m. The who wished to expenditure with that that implied for interest rates.

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the current year and had been recorded as the out-turn for 197879.

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them.

The plans the Government had published for 1980-81 formed the basis of the cash limits for next

year.
The Government would announce the remaining cash limits on the normal timerable. It would be right to be rigorous in containing the cost of the public services within those limits.

The extent to which the volume plans could be fulfilled would depend to a significant extent on the pay and price increases in-curred by the spending authorities. curred by the spending authorities. If those were higher than those provided for in the limits, then the plans would have to be adjusted.

inted.

It would be wrong (be said) for the Government to exempt the public services from the sort of discipline the private sector has to accept.

The irony is that we have levels of public spending that new threaten the borrowing and tax strategies of the Government. Public spending on a massive stale has become a de-stabilizing rather than a protective element in the state. The trends of the past the decade must be arrested. If the

Recovery may be painful but need not take long

in opening for the Opposition a dehate on rising prices, pay settle-ments and unemployment.

He said it had followed policies which had divided rather than united the nation, which would stimulate selfishness and the abuse of power rather than moderation and common sense, which were not calculated to obtain the cooperation of ordinary people or the organized trade union movement and which were based on false assumptions about the way the

The policy of monetary control that was to be the main inscrument for reversing the process of inflation had not worked. To use monetary policy nowadays as the main instrument to correct inflation was largely a disconding believenby.

of the printing press in printing money. Control of the money supply was only an element of control.

The Covernment was determined not to get itself saddled with any kind of incomes policy. In fact no government could be without some kind of incomes policy, if only because it was a huge employer in its own right and must have a policy for the payment of its own employees and those closely linked with them.

There should at least be a selectoral terms.

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There should at least be a resumption by the Government of

instrument to correct inflation was largely a discredited philosophy.

It was particularly in the area of incomes policy that the Government needed in think its policies through. Even at this stage it could make an appeal for wage moderation.

Lady Secar (L) said her party's basic criticism of the Government's attempt to control inflation was its almost messianic belief that the one sovereign cure for all Britain's ills was to control the money supply would all have an effect on the level of employment. There were those who were con-

one sovereign cure for all Britain's effect on the level of employment. There were those who were considered whether the present kind of inflation was closely related to the use of the printing press in printing last Government would change its ways. The change made by the of the printing press in printing last Government would change its ways. The change made by the country nor the unemployed and pressing the country nor the unemployed and was not a speciacular success in electoral terms.

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Parliament, but if its nerve held it would by 1982 get this wretched an

The Government had failed to real discussions with the employers largely self-induced inflation out respond to the needs of the situation as they existed when it took office. Lord McCarthy (lab) said rade unions. These continuing of the body politic. If inflation was discussions should be backed by a brought down the other measures nation-wide attempt to educate the already taken in the budget would

nation-wide attempt to educate the public as a whole as to what could be afforded and what could not. The Earl of Gowrie, Minister of State for Employment, said all governments would like to have pay policies if they could pay for them. The Opposition seemed to be moving towards the idea of a permanent incomes policy. If this was so, they should say it. What were to be the trade-offs?

He did not think the alternative need be a free collective jungle. need be a free collective jungle. There was evidence creeping in, as the present wage round progressed, of a plurality of settlements and that people were beginning to accept that strike action, particularly in the initial stages of a dispute, was not necessarily a solution: witness the result of the

down in these areas was it going about it in the right way? Earl De La Wart (C) said he detected a new spirit of economic understanding among the public and the beginning of some sense of economic discipline akin to the self-discipline without which no nation could survive.

Lord Godbert of Willington (C)

Lord Godbert of Willington (C). another maiden 'speaket', said part of the problem was 'that Britain had failed to come to terms with the loss of empire. It was the the failure to recognize Britain's relative decline in the world and the determination to fight one another instead of combining to fight foreign competions that had led to the inflationary scramble in which they had been involved.

Lord Hankey said he hoped Government policy would be flexible. It would be a mistake if it pursued whole hoggedly control of the whole hoggedly control of the money supply or interest rates or anything else. It was even desirable that the Government should not throw away all the tools required to give the economy a push here or a nudge there.

Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos (Lab), in a maiden speech; said there was general agreement that prospects over the next two years were likely to be grim.

LORD ORRSEwing (C. SAID THE Government should be careful, in pay matters, about what was called comparability. How was it possible.

to compare man and man and job and job in different parts of the

Lord Jacques (Lab) said if the Government's present policy in-volving higher rates of interest succeeded there would be depres-alou, if it failed there would be continued inflation. Britain was likely to get both.

Lord Lee of Newton (Lab) said the nation's basic unity was at its lowest ebb for many years and stand-ards were declining in real terms. In the face of this no glimmer of inspiration was to be found in the attitude of the Government whose policy seemed to be negative and restrictive in the extreme. It should be apporaching the trade unions in a constructive serie. In-stead it was to introduce a Bill which would antagonize every trade unionist in the land.

Lord Nugent of Guildford (C)asked if the Tory Parry should a statutory wage policy after
Labour, with their special relationship with the trade unions had
failed. What chance would the
Conservative have?

Conservative have? Lord Murray of Gravesend (Lab) said he did the family shopping and could see the struggle pensioners and people on helow average income faced week by week. If it wanted to succeed in its policies the Government must do

Lord Houghton o (Sowerby (Lab) said the two main institutions of power, Parliament and the trade unions, both ran on nineteenth both ran on mineteenth lines. Neither seemed to have a clear concept of their resperive roles. They shared responsibility for the survival of over 50 million people whose expectations in life, leisure and pleasure could not phasibly be fulfilled in any measure time ahead.

All the trade unions see to tell us (he said) is what they want and what they demand.

Several codes

to be published

safety regulations and safety codes, respectively would be published in Mr Patrick Mayhew, Under Secretary for Employment, in a written reply said—The chairman of the Health and Safety Commission in-

Health and Safety Commission in-forms me that a number of pro-posals for regulations and for-epproved codes of practice are being developed by the Commis-sion for eventual submission to me for approval or, in the case of approved codes, for my consent.

The eventual division between regulations and codes and their timing is dependent on decisions taken by the Commission in the light of the statutory consultation with interested bodies which the

on safety

Mr Healey explains what he would have done

a comparison?

More than £50m would be spent next year on assisted places at the public schools while spentling on state education was slashed and transport charges increased to make it impossible for many children in the rural areas to get to school. At the same time the whole system of independent schools was being undermined; many had accepted reorganization into comprehensives.

It appeared the Government was planning still further cuts in public spending in the next fiscal year. The only reason Mr Biffen dare not say this toow was because it would mean revising the plans published only a few weeks ago. He made clear by the way he ducked questions from the Opposition that he was planning further cuts.

There was every sign of a battle royal between the monetarist manlacs on the Treasury ream and other ministers whose idealism was tempered, to some extreat by common sense and humanity.

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In the White Paper, the Government ried to relate an increase in Government borrowing to an increase in money supply, but it must know that there had been nodetectable relationship since 1970.

As Charrellor by had kent As Chancelor, he had kept monetary growth for his first three years at 10 per cent when PSBR was very much higher than now in real terms, and had financed the PSBR with interest rates only half the meant level.

come denied that the White Paper proposals would increase unempleyment, raise prices and cat a monetary target far too restricting growth of the economy. They would do so by reducing standards in the public services in a way which was particularly damaging in the effect of the White Paper on growth in the economy. They must been published in the Government incomes published in the Government incomes policy. The way the impact of the cuts was distributed, the picture was even works.

Defence spending was to increase by two and a half times the rate of increase planned in west Germany. At the same time, the Secretary of State for Social Services (Mr Patrick Jenkin) was reducing the level of patient care in the National Health Service at a time when Germany was spending three times as much on her.

Services per head as Britain. How

Germany. At the same time, the Secretary of Stare for Social Services (Mr Patrick Jenkin) was reducing the level of parient care in the National Health Service at a time when Germany was spending three times as much on her services per head as Britain. How could the Government justify such a comparison?

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rerday.

I would not (he said) have pur-I would not (he said) have pursued a restrictive munerary policy to the degree the present Government has. I would not have produced a 20 per cent inflation rate to set against a rate of monetary growth which was well under half of that. I would not, therefore, have reduced activity in the economy in the way the present Government is doing and therefore we would have been getting the revenue needed to finance a much higher rate of public spending. The salton har economics of the Treasury bench is profoundly damaging to the mation, but it is skin deep and it is already cracking under the impact of events.

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said he was disappointed that the White Paper was proposing only to stabilize Government expenditure in 1980-81 instead of reducing it. There had been no cuts. Treasury ministers were heavily outnumbered by the spending men.

bered by the spending men.
Mr Richard Wainwright (Colne-Valley, L) said there was no justification for the panic cuts in the wrong areas to which the Government had resorted. The Liberals believed there was enormous scope for reducing public expenditure by a careful and thoughtful attack on the a careful and thoughtful attack on the ancient and extremely elab-orate structure of government at all levels. Mr John Maxton (Glasgow, Cath-cart, Lab) said the Government's proposals were insulting towards those in the public sector. Private sector employees were more expen-sive than similar employees in the public sector.

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We have not yet had the U turn but we have seen the Government is no longer moving straight ahead. It is moving in a sort of arc, maybe it is a skid. It will not be long before we see them moving unsteadily down the opposite side of the roadway altogether.

Mr John Butcher (Coventy, South-West, C) said that it was not a monetarist policy at all; if was possible to cut expenditure without affecting education standards or causing 'wholesale redundancies' spokesman on Treasury and economic for the said of the spokesman on Treasury and economic spokesman on Treasury and economic spokesman on Treasury and economic is spokesman on Treasury pand economic is the public sector.

Mr Robert Dumn (Dartford, C) with Robert Dumn (Dartford, C) and the public sector.

Mr Robert Dumn (Dartford, C) called on the Government to called on the Government to local councils and MPs when local authorities were understance and must be authorities were understance to local councils and MPs when local authorities were understance and public expenditure and not to much weight on the use of the rate of interest in achieving a balance between these two factors. Otherwise what they were debetting was not a monetarist policy at all; it was an old-fashfoned high interest the public was not a monetarist policy at all; it was an old-fashfoned high interest policy which ought not to be allowed.

Mr Denzil Davies, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economics of the public sectors.

year were going to be on arma-ments and dole orderes. The Gov-ernment was increasing public expenditure in just those areas that were unproductive.

In spite of the cuts, there was to be a higher borrowing requirement next year. The White Paper would make inflation worse. It was irrel-evant and damaging to the

economy.
It was rumoured that there were speak up because of the lady's tongue. He appealed to them to prevent the Gadarene rush to disaster. If there was no change di disaster. If there was hid change in would be too late because the damage would be done to economic fabric of the country.

Mr Nigel Lawson, Financial Secretary to the Treasury (Blaby, C), said that monetarism was the ruling economic philosophy throughout the western world. Only the Opposition in Britain was out of step.

There was no escaping the laws of arithmetic, If public sector costs were allowed to increase beyond the amount allowed for in cash limits and thus increased the public sector borrowing requirement, it could only lead to yet higher inflation.

inflation.

There was no greater hypotrisy than the demonstrations by public service unions aginst custs which were the direct consequence of pay settlements they had lisisted upon. settlements they had lifsisted upon. The more the public services were run for the benefit of those who worked in them, the less they could be run for the benefit for the public they purported to serve.

The Opposition, bitterly divided on the most fundamenta listues of policy and of pilitical philosphy, were now seeking a spurious unity in a sprile and negative attack on the Government's policies, even though the knives of the brothers plunged into each others backs wer cfar sharper than the Treasury ate.

An Opposition amendment rejecting the White Paper since it will lead to higher unemployment, poorer public services and increasing inflation was rejected by 302 votes to 249. Government majority, 53.

The Government motion to take note of the White Paper was carried by 301 votes to 232—Government majority, 69.

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Commission is required to undertake. However, of the proposals for regulations and or approved codes of practice, being developed, the Commission inform me that the following bare reached or have completed the consultative stage and may be submitted for my consideration during 1980: Lead: safety signs and colours; notification of accidents and dangerous pathogens (notification); diving operations: harardous inscallations (notification and survey); first aid; celluloid and Cinematograph Film Act 1922 exemptions; and asbestos insulation and sprayed coatings. and asbestos sprayed coatings. Use of listening devices

Mr William Whitelaw, Home Sec-retary, in a written reply, said the use of a listemor device was an operational matter for decision, by the chief officer of police

The Home Office have asked chief officers (he went on) to satisfy themselves that, when equipment is used to help the police to confirm or dispet a suspicion of serious crime, such use is justified in all the circumstances and is authorised at an appropriately senior level in the force.

Stoke Mandeville A major appeal is planned to rebuild the spinal injuries centre at

One vote majority for angling Bill Permission to introduce a private member's Bill to set up a Scoutish Auglers Trust to administer the only sport in Scotland where the freshwater fishing rights in Scotland was given by one vote. Me Bennis Canavan (West Striling shire. Lab) was given leave by 139 votes to 138. Ishing rights. This was probably this Anglers Trust to administer the freshwater fishing rights. No administer the freshwater fishing rights. This was probably the freshwater fishing rights. This was probably the freshwater fishing rights. No administer the freshwater fishing rights only sport in Scotland where the freshwater fishing rights. No administer the freshwater fishing rights only sport in Scotland was given by one vote. Mr. This was about the only sport in Scotland where the freshwater fishing rights. No administer the freshwater fishing rights. No administer the freshwater fishing rights. No administer the freshwater fishing rights. This was a bad precedent which would not be confined to the River Amgler Scotland was the most popular sport in Scotland was the would not be confined to the River Amgler Scotland was the most popular sport in Scotland was the most popul

Mr Canavan sard that since he tabled his Bill three weeks ago, events had proved it was mora necessary than ever. In the past week the Secretary of State for Scotland (Mr George Younger) approved the River-Iweed Protection Order which would deprive many ordinary working people of taking part, in their favourite sport.

every river, burn, and walk in Scotland would be probabled territory unless someone went on their kneet to the local landlord to get permission to fish. Alternatively state on the Alternatively state on the would need to have enough money to join a syndicate of rich businessment taking more of the fishing rights in Scotland for their excludive rights.

The Bill would give power to the auglers instead of the land-lords. This Bill would try to introduce an angler's charter it would be open to any

From the start of next spring, the anglers instead of the landit would be a criminal offence for appone to fish in the protected introduce an angler's charter, waters of the River Fweed unless it would be open to any they had permission from the individual angler to John a club landlord, or whoever owned the which could affiliate to the Scor-

body.

Angling was the most popular sport in Scotland so it was about time it was run by the people

who took part.

Mr. David Steel, Liberal leader (Rozburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, L) said he opposed leave being given to introduce the Bill. It. given to introduce the Bill. It was a thin disguise to try and set aside an orderly system of protection for the ordinary anglers in the Borders, trying to maintain fishing which would be open to people from outside as well who were prepared to pay for permits.

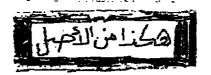
It would be misunderstood if the House was to allow through a Bill which sought to replace the procedures approved by the House in 1976 on freshwater fishing in Scotland.

Traffic surveys

The Government is not satisfied with the existing system of national traffic censuses. Mr Keineth Clarke, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Transport. (Rushcliffe, C) said during questions. It intended to reduce the amount of nunecessary survey work.

He told Mr Jack Aspinwall (Kingswood, C) who had asked for a review of the whole system of traffic data collection proceduras is already under way in the department. ment.
We intend to continue to reduce the number of different traffic sur-veys and to hicresse the use of automatic traffic counting equip-

Parliamentary notices Rouse of Commons House of Lords



Arson not ruled out after fire kills five

Attempts to rescue elderly women patients who died early yesterday when fire swept through part of St Cris-pin's mental hospital at Duston, Northampton, were not been pered by locked doors, a senior fire officer said läst night.

"I was there, and as far as we were concerned, the question of locked doors presented no problems in fire fighting, or attempts to rescue patients. Smoke and flames were the trouble from burning bedding, lockers, and that sort of thing."

Mr Martin Pearson, an area health authority administrator, said: "This was not a desig-nated locker ward. We have set up an immediate inquiry and while I am reluctant to say definitely whether or not one door on a corridor was locked for security reasons, we have been told by the fire service they were not hindered in any way. Obviously the inquiry will pay particular attention to this

Trated

"Patients are not allowed to smoke on the ward, but there 20ft through the roof, are three day-rooms where Police pursing staff and fire-smoking is allowed. The men helped to move 150 patients on this wing were not patients out of the wing. Three regarded in any way as a security risk."

after 6.30 am in the wine which houses Schuster ward, with 24 beds, on the top floor of the The hopsial, which is one two hours to bring the blaze three-storey building. The of the largest of its type in the under control. The cost of



Firemen examining damage to the ward where five women patients died.

flames quickly spread and leapt 20ft through the roof.

egarded in any way as a required treatment for shock.

Che fire broke out shortly all aged over 60 and were longfire 6.30 am in the wing which stay patients from the North-

Midlands, has 26 wards and more than 500 patients. Schuster ward was recently redecorated and Mr Pearson said it had no "stable" type doors or side wards. The fire escape from the ward was at the end further from the main area of damage.

It took 50 firemen more than

estimated at nearly 500,000. Police said last night that they were keeping an open mind about the possibility of arson.

A kitchen space and a dayrecreation facilities immediately next to the ward were totally destroyed. Fire officers have sifted the debris to try to dis-

Couple get 'life' for transvestite husband murder

usband, Frederick, who, she length of the sentence, ad said, was a transvestite. Mr Mrs. Chapman, aged 32, ustice Stocker jailed them mother of two children, of soth for life.

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Joth for life. Townley, Letchworth, Herrs, and The judge, referring to Mr Mr West, aged 38, of Ivel Chapman, said: "He may, of Court Letchworth, denied murcourse, have had weaknesses in dering Mr Chapman, aged 33, a is own character, in particular former soldier. Mr West had a his sexual life. But the evi-admitted being an accessory ence is that he otherwise was after the fact of murder.

jury that her husband flaunted his perversions at her. She said they made love only six times in their five-year marriage and she could not take his style of lovemaking.

She gave her husband sleeping pills, saying they were anti-biotics for his sore throat and telephoned to Mr West at work and he went to her home. She showed him Mr Chapman asleep, clad in two women's

nighties and a white corset. She said she handed Mr West a garden spade and watched while he bludgeoned her hustook the body in Mr West's car to a motorway bridge and pushed it on to the road below, hoping to make it look like a

The plan failed, however. The body was seen before it could be run over by vehicles.

Mrs Chapman was said to have told the police: "I hated him for being a pervert.

Report highlights changes over the past three decades

30 years on, Britain has never had it so good

Social Services Correspondent Britain has emerged from the austerity of the early 1950s, with rationing and shortages, to standard of living in the late 1970s where what were once luxury goods are taken for granted, material well-being increases in spite of high inflation, and most people have more

That snapshot of the way people's lives have changed is offered today in the social commentary in the new edition of

Because the commentary looks at changes over three decades, it produces an essen-tially optimistic picture of the way standards of living have improved for most people. But the commentary also makes plain that the generally better material standards have not been shared equally.

Pensioners, in particular, are shown to have had the smallest proportion of rising standards, while families with children have suffered more than other groups from changes in the tax

Three changes are picked out as affecting deeply the way living styles have changed over the past three decades. First,

have opened up enormously. More and more stay on at school longer and 20 on to further and higher education, and they can afford to buy their own radios, stereos, cars and their own homes at increasingly carty ages.

Second, many more women. particularly mothers, go out to work, raising the proportion of families with more than one earner. Third, workers have longer paid holidays and work slightly fewer bours, so that they have more time for leisure and hobbies.

Some of the most striking changes that flow from those factors are that the traditional English breakfast of eggs and bacon appears to have virtu-ally disappeared and more families rely on convenience

foods.

The greater leisure time available has led to an enormous boom in do-it-vourself activities, spurred on by the increasing difficulties of finding skilled craftsmen willing to charge greatenable prices. charge reasonable prices.

More opportunities for the

young and rising numbers of elderly people contributed to a marked change in the proportion of one and two-person households. In 1951, 11 per cent of all households consisted

opportunities for young people of one person, and 27 per cent have opened up enormously, contained two people. By 1978 More and more stay on at the proportions had used to 22

and 32 per cent respectively, together making up more than half of all households.

In the early 1950s, nearly half the population lived in terraced homes, which tended to be the oldest property; four fifthse used coal as their main domestic fuel, and nearly half domestic fuel, and nearly balf had no fixed bath or had to share one. By 1978, more than half the population lived either in semi-detached houses or flats or maisonettes, the main fuel used was gas, and only 4 per cent did not have the use of a bath or shower. Throughout the 30 years, con-

sumption of bread and potatoes fell and was not offset by the small increase in alternative starchy fonds such as rice and pasta. Less meat and fish are eaten than in the 1950s. although there has been an eightfold increase in the consumption of poultry between 1957 and 1978.

The use of tobacco has gone down over the 30 years, but alcohol consumption has risen with beer remaining the most popular drink despite the rapid increase in the amount of wine

and the average price and runterms between 1951 and 1977 while rail and bus fares rose by 50 per cent in real terms. Real incomes rose more than

expenditure throughout the period, and people spent more their money on consumer durables whose prices came down in many instances because of technological changes. A monochrome television set cost twice as much in real terms in 1955 than in the mid-1970s. In the 1950s, les sthan 10 per cent of households had a television set; by 1978 the proportion was 90 per cent. In 1976 more than half the households with tele-

half the households with television had a colour set.

In 1956 only 8 per cent of households had a refrigerator, but in 1978 the prooprtion was 90 per cent. More recently, ownership of deep freezes has increased from 4 per cent in 1970 to 41 per cent in 1978.

The commentary offers no view on whether the changes.

amount to a better way of life. But it points out one matter of concern first noticed in the 1970s. In 1977, 25 million tranouilizers were prescribed. com-pared with 16 million in 1967. rublic transport has given Social Trends 10. (Stationery way to the private car as the Office £12.90). STATE CONTROL TO THE STATE OF T

Margaret Chapman and Peter an inoffensive, hard-working West, her lover, were found unity by a unanimous verdict f the jury at St Albans Crown court, Hertfordshire, yesterday, The judge made no recommendation as to the minimum learner of the contents.

Grenfell's last programme); Sutherland and Pavarotti in

She met Mr West, who went to her home for intercourse.

Murder inquiry into boy's death in blaze From Our Correspondent

Police at Hull began a murder investigation yesterday after the death of Charles Hastie, aged 15, who, with his mother and three brothers, had been badly burnt when their bome was set on fire His brothers, Paul, aged 12,

and Peter, aged eight, are in a critical condition. Their mother, Mrs Edith Hastie, aged 34, and the third brother, Tommy, aged nine, are seriously ill.

Det Supt Ronald Sagar, who has 70 detectives on the case. said the fire had been started by lighted material stuffed through the letterbox

ing to pay ", Mr Walker said the Royal Smithfield Show. He spoke after fond proces-sors had written to all mem-

appeal from the National Farmers' Union for price rises

Mr Walker rules out farm price rises bers of the Cabinet urging them to resist the demands from the

By Hugh Clayton Agricultural Correspondent Immediate price rises for farmers were ruled out vesterday by Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, prices were raised. Fisheries and Food. He refused to comment about the Government's response to an

through a devaluation of the green pound.

He gave a warning that the union's claim for a separate increase on milk might be rejected. "One has to judge the

price that consumers are willing to pay ", Mr Walker said at

NFU. Leaders of the union presented them to Mr Walker on Friday, and told him that mik output would fall unless

"It is of no benefit to the dairy industry to pitch the price too high", Mr Walker said yesterday Consumption of bottled milk had fallen by 2 Smithfield, a steer named Phyl. to 3 per cent since the rice was raised to 15p a pint early in the summer.

The green pound is to be at let debated in the Cabinet today. If the Government decides to The devalue, it will have to seek permission to do so at a meeting of EEC farm ministers next week. Mr Walker said that he would make no announcement

"I am not going to get involved in any speculation about green pound devaluations", Mr Walker said. Experience had shown that when governments appounced devalutions in advance "a load of foreign butter comes in and

was bought in auction yester day for £8.000 by International Stores. That is equivalent to at least 55 a pound for the

The supreme sheep champion-ship was won by J. & J. Pope of Tethury, Gloucestershire, who also won the prize for the best pen of lambs bred by their exhibitor. The winning animals ferched £180 each at auctino.

BBC to televise 51 films during holiday fortnight

BBC Television is to show SI - Special. BBC 2, Star Over Beilifeature films in the 14 days lehan; Alan Price.

around Christmas and New Christmas Day: BBC 1, Year. That can be compared Generation Game; Blankety with 48 films in 11 days last Blank, Mike Yarwood Show, To year.

Announcing that yesterday Great and Small, and Parkinson.

Mr Alasdair Milne, managing BBC 2. Face the Music (Joyce director, BBC Television, said Grenfell's last programme); the holiday lineary of tree. erammes on both BBC channels recital; concert from Amsterwould cost £6.3m.
Films having their British

television premieres include The Sting, with Robert Red-ford, on Christmas Day, and ford, on Christmas Day, and Murder on the Orient Express on New Year's Eve. On BBC 2 BC 2, Sadler's Wells Royal it will be a mainly musical Ballet. Oklahoma, and Sing Christmas, with all six Beatles Christmas (King's Singers).

Gene Kelly films throughout the boliday period; and on the boliday period; and on the decade), Blue Peter (review of the decade), Blue Peter (review). FBC 2 Old Grey Whistle Test; The World Around Us. New Year's Day: BBC 1, Italian and Large Show; The Odessa: File; Tinker, Tailor Christmas Eve: BBC 1, Val Doomican Music Show; The Go-

Ministry denies papers in hedge contained secrets

By Our Defence Correspondent The Ministry of Defence has

found on Tuesday, in the grounds of Polstead Rectory, near Ipswich.

dam: The Front Garden (docu-dam: The Front Garden (docu-mentary, and Baboushka Boxing Day: BBC 1, Jim'll Fix It, Where Eagles Darc, Are You Being Served? Dave Allen

denied reports that papers found under a hedge contained secret and highly sensitive infor-

A ministry official said that the documents belonged to an official of the Institution of Professional Civil Servants and were in a briefcase taken from his car last weekend. They were

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Brother of boxer jailed for handling \$556,720 cheques

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wind birds, captured illegally in the north of Scotland, were found at a house in Bradford raided by representatives of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds. Bradford magistrates were told yesterday.

Two men were each fined for fined for fined for five and a half years.

Two men were each fined for fined for five and a half years stolen from a container in a ship in Liverpool; Gerard fone, aged 32, of Parkstone Drive, admitted having a buzzard and sparrow hawk recently taken from the wild, and Harry Dawson, aged 36, of Lowfield Close, both Bradford, pleaded guilty to selling a kestrel, which was not closeringed, and obtaining \$25\$ for it by deception.

Graham Benn, aged 26, of Wrose Road, Bradford, who was said to have been looking after the buzzard temperarily, was given a conditional discharge.

Liverpool half years.

Three other men were jailed on a similar charge. Robert travellers' cheques worth \$550,000 (about £420,000) being stolen from a container in a ship in Liverpool; Gerard Conteh, aged 26, brother of John Conteh, the boxer, arrived at the Hilton hotel in London for seven years, with one year of a suspended sentence to run room, it was stated at Liverpool with more in the cases stuffed with stolen cheques, with more in the wardrobe.

Mr Conteh, of Buraley Road, Ansield, Ainsdale, Merseyside, pleaded not guilty.

Philip Shields, aged 29, of Lower Breck Road, Anfield, and Denis McGivern, aged 30, of Brunel Close, Everton, both Liverpool, were found not guilty to dishonestly handling the cases with more in the buzzard temperarily, was given a conditional discharge.

The BMA said that whether the foreign patient was in Britain legally or illegally he

The matter of entitlement to the use of the health service resulted largely from a DHSS circular last October about foreigners using the service.

The circular drew hospital administrators' attention to abuses and asked them to watch for ineligible patients trying to get free treatment. If the patient was treated as an emergency case and was then discovered to have come to Britain with the purpose of getting medical treatment, he should be charged as a private patient, the DRSS circular said. For some time the BMA bas

Two men fined for having

Migrant's health file 'was leaked' 3v John Roper Health Services Correspondent The British Medical Associa-

ion is investigating a complaint rom Mr Martin Bernstingl, a onsultant surgeon at St artholomew's Hospital, Lonion, that information about one f his patients was passed her consent to the

forme Office by the Department f Health and Social Security. The association is also looking into allegations that confidential iformation about foreigners sing the National Health Ser-ice is being passed between the department and the Home

resting's account was not file. However, if a hospital imissions department asked yout the entitlement of foreign patient to NHS treatent a check might be made in the Home Office about that the Home Office about that erson's residential status. The Home Office sometimes ked for information about an imigrant patient undergoing eatment when deciding on ch matters as an extension of s stey in Britain, the depart-ent said. Information was ven only with the consent of

patient services department to the Department of Health and Social Security to check on whether his patient was eligible for treatment, the department telephoned back with detailed non-medical information. That information had come from the Home Office and stated that the young woman had arrived in the United Kingdom in 1974. She was told to return to Cyprus at

the end of her stay and lost her appeal against that decision. It was most unlikely, Mr Bernstingl said, that the patient gave her consent when told that he department says that Mr a check must be made on her residential status.

The hospital clerk gave the young woman's address and the

date of her clinic appointment to the department. The surgeon had never, in fact, seen the patient. When he was told about the checks and their result he telephoned the woman's doctor-and suggested that she should be warned not to come to his clinic because she might be arrested as an illegal immigrant.

Mr Bernstingl said that within medical ethics. "Doctors and a few minutes of a relephone nurses are not allowed to tell call by a clerk in the hospital's even a solicitor anything about a patient, without the patient's consent." The speed of the reply to the request for a check implied that the information had come from a computer.

> must have no quains about seeking medical help. That was in the interests of the community; otherwise an epidemic might be started.

Mr Bernstingi regarded the For some time the BMA has whole matter as affecting been urging a national code of seriously the doctor-patient relationship and as a breach of information on patients.



The first Soviet tanks leaving the East German town of Wittenberg yesterday, watched by festive crowds.

Russia pulls out troops in détente gesture

Soviet Union pulled tanks and troops out of this central East German garrison town today in the first stage of a forces reduction programme aimed at demonstrating its commitment

to détente. After ceremonial speeches before a crowd of several thousand people, the first Soviet military train rolled out of the tanks and about 100 soldiers.

The festive departure marked the start of a withdrawal of up to 20,000 men and 1,000 tanks from East Germany announced by President Brezhnev last October to underline Moscow's

desire for disarmament desire for disarmament.

Soviet officers told jountalists that about 200 troops and
more than 30 tanks would be
withdrawn today. All belong to
the Soviet Sixth Armoured
Division, stationed in central
East Germany as part of the Local East German Commu-

nist Party officials and steel workers from a nearby plant heaped praise on the work of the Soviet soldiers in speeches at the early morning rally out-side the station. A Soviet offi-cer thanked the local people for their friendship and

The start of the withdrawal occurred as the foreign ministers of the Warsaw Pact alliance met in East Berlin behind closed doors .- Reuter.

Gretel Spitzer writes from Berlin: The foreign ministers conference is understood to have been summoned in view of the forthcoming Nato minis-terial meeting and its impending decision to modernize its nuclear arsenal.

It is believed that some offer to the West will be announced in a last-minute effort to influence the expected Nato decision

to deploy missiles able to hit Russia Schmidt stand backed: As the first Soviet tanks rolled back from East Germany Herr Helmut Schmidt's Social Democratic Party firmly backed his stand on medium-range nuclear missiles (writes Patricia Clough

After an outstanding debate at the party congress here dele-gates overwhelmingly sup-ported the Chancellor's view that Nato should decide to station the weapons and then negotiate on reducing their numbers with the Soviet Union while they are being manufac-

sonal success for Herr Schmidt. In an impassioned defence of his policy he asked for a clear majority and about 90 per cent of the delegates showed their Herr Schmidt said that by matching the Soviet SS20 mis-

a position of equality Nato reservations: Welcoming the first steps taken by the Soviet Union to reduce its rroops in East Germany, Nato said today that the withdrawal would "represent but a fraction of the present great superiority in ground forces and armoured in ground forces and armoured application of the Soviet Union and its Warsaw Pact allies in Central Europe" (writes Michael Hornsby from

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Government

In a statement issued by Dr Josef Luns, the Nato Secretary General, the alliance claimed that the Soviet Union " now has bases, either operational or under construction, which will support the deployment of over 600 SS20 (mobile missile) war-

neads."

Nato expected the phasing out of some older Soviet medium-range missiles, but their withdrawal had been extremely slow. Dr Luns added.

Pledge by

France

Paris, Dec 5

The French

on Rhine

pollution

today showed itself almost as disappointed as the Dutch at

hational Assembly to ratify the Bonn convention on clean-ing up the Rhine. The Gov-ernment really intends to keep

the international engagements which have been taken by France", M Pierre Hum, the

The Government's decision

The Government's decision not even to put the convention to the vote in the Assembly was taken yesterday when it was realized that the Socialists, Communists and the Gaudists would all vote against it and that it would therefore be defeated by a large majority.

Instead the Government is to

salt is not poured into the river at anything above 1972

The chances of finding a sat-isfactory alternative do not seem to be very high, however. M Michel d'Ornano, the Misis-

ter of the Environment, has said that as far as he can tell the method proposed by the convention of pumping brine deep into the ground is still the cheapest and best way of getting rid of the salt.

getting rid of the salt.

A statement from the Foreign Ministry today also expressed "regret" that the convention could not be ratified. It added that the Government was not giving units

ment was not giving up its objectives of fighting against pollution of the Rhine and pro-

pollution of the Rhine and pro-tecting it against chlorates.

M Pierre Weisenhorn, the Gaullist member for the Haut-Rhin—the department most affected by the terms of the convention—says in an article published in Le Monde today

allow the company mining the potash to sell off its sair which would cost the public

nothing, contrary to the price of injecting it into the

At the moment the company

today's Cabinet meeting.

European Parliament shapes up to throw out EEC budget

From Michael Hornsby

Brussels, Dec 5 The European Parkament is The European Parkament is shaping up for an historic contest of wills with EEC member states. Evidence is accumulating that there is an excellent chance of a brg enough majority being mustered; to throw out the draft of the Community's budget for 1989 at the assembly's session next week in Strashours. week in Strasbourg.

The Parliament is incensed

by the treatment meted out to Conservative and Labour contits proposals last month by ingents have come out in sup-EEC budget ministers. The port of rejecting the budget ministers cut proposed in Representatives of the matiliary contents will be hold. creases in spending on reg development, job creation, scientific research and energy projects, and at the same time rejected a reduction in agricultural expenditure.

In the wake of the EEC

In the wake of the EEC ment to resurrect those of the summit meeting in Dublin last assembly's proposals which week, which failed to offer any were utroad down last month. concessions to the Parliament's This would not only involve point of view, the budget com- an embarrassing loss of face reaffirmed its recommendation also effectively tendorse the that the 1980 budget as it extension of reaffirmed the threat the stands should be the stands as the stands should be the stands as the stands are standard as the standard are standard a that the 1980 budget as it strension of parliamentary stands should be thrown out control of the budget into the and a new draft requested. The vote was 28 in favour, with agricultural expanditure, which four abstentions and two consumes 75 per cent of the After the vote, Mr. Harry

Notenboom, a Dutch Christian the European Commission the committee, told journalists that he considered it "extre" it to the Council of Ministers, that he considered it "extre it to the Council of Ministers, mely probable" on the basis of which would amend it and consultations with all the main pass it on to the Parliament. A mely probable on the basis of which would amend it and consultations with all the main pass it on to the Parliament. A political groups, that the resubmitted draft would be unnecessary majority could be likely to be adopted by the found to reject the budget.

Similar confidence was at the very earliest.

The Pope pays visit to **English College** From Our Own Correspondent

Rome, Dec 5
The Pope will visit the English College in Rome to-morrow to celebrate the fourth centenary of one of the oldest English institutions abroad.

The college trains priests for the dioceses of England and Wales. At the moment it has wates. At the montest it has about 70 students and a staff of five. The Pope will celebrate Mass in English in the chapel early in the evening for the community employees and

guests. He will then meet British Diplomats, and the college's domestic steff and employees before talking informally to the rector, Mgr George Hay, and the students. He will stay for supper and

later see the nuns who look after the cooking

The last visit to the college by a Pore was made by Pius IX in 1870 during the First Varican Council. Paul VI visited the college's summer residence pear the papal palace at Custelgandolfo in 1963.

The college was founded in 1579 by Cardinal Atlen and Gregory XIII as one of saveral colleges established on the Continent to train Roman Catholic priests who would then return to minister in Eng-

Parliament's rapporteur on the budget. To throw out the budget, two thirds of all votes cast would be needed and a simple majority of the total membership of the House. The main question mark hangs over the attitude of Freuch members of the Parlia-

ment, many of whom represent farming interests, and the Liberal group. The British Conservative and Labour conting further talks with the Parliament next week in Stras-bourg. The only thing that might now prevent rejection would appear to be an agree-

total.

If the budget is thrown out,

Commission would have to use an emergency procedure whereby it is empowered to dole out on a month-by-month money as was spent in the presisted, this would imply a shortfall of some £630m over whole of 1980 compared expenditure now envi-

The budget committee also served notice today that approval next week of a supplementary budget for 1979 of some 2520m, to meet spending overwill be more than a mere for-mality, Because of the delay in approving the extra expenditure some governments are already facing angry claims from farm traders.

A large part of the extra spending is required to pay for subsidizing the export to non-EEC countries such as Russia and Iran of high-priced surplus and tran or nign-prices surpus
deiry products. Mr Dankert
said that the Parliament
wanted a full explanation next
week from Mr Fann Olav Gundelach, the Agricultural
Commissioner, of the need for
these subsidies.

There was a strong susplthere was a strong suspi-cion, Mr Dankert said, that the subsidies were in many cases unjustifiably high and that traders were making specula-tive profits. The Parliament wanted details concerning who benefited mainly from the sub-sidies before it would approve

Red Brigades appeal for attacks on prisons

From Peter Nichols
Rome, Dec 5
The founders of the Red Brigades, during hearings in appeal at Turin today, issued a call to members of the terrorist movement still at liberty for a full-scale attack on Italian high security prisons that would free them.
The call came in the form of a statement which the court allowed the convicted prisoners to read at the resumption of and those whose aim it should

Among the 31 accused is Roberto Curcio, recognized as the first leader of this extreme left-wing group resorting to being held and where rioting revolutionary violence. It has been responsible for many of the country's worst terrorist excesses including the kidnapping and murder of Aldo area. They were aimed at the country installations including ping and murder of Aldo Moro, the former Christian Democratic Prime Minister. The trial of Signor Curcio railway.

to read at the resumption of and those whose aim it should be to help in their liberation.

Among the 31 accused is Their first target was stated Their first target was stated nothing to be the Asinara prison where of in a number of the terrorists are ground

ions is not allowed to market the salt because it has a French monopoly for the sale of irol) potash. An international cartel means that only four comding panies—including Akzo in Holable land—produce salt for sale on the continent. tourist installations including ski-lifts, a hotel and a cable

M Barre uses device to outwit Gaullists

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Dec S
Faced with the opposition of Gaudists, M Raymond Barre, the Prime Minister, has pledged the government's responsibility on the Bill to increase the social security contributions of pensioners.

He met the Gaudists half way, however, by agreeing to exempt land and Wales.

In the course of the religious persecutions of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries some 44 of its students were executed and 10 of them were executed and 10 of them were among the 40 martyrs of Lingland and Wales wine were among the 40 martyrs of Lingland and Wales wine were canonized by Paul VI in 1976.

He met the Gaullists half way, bringing the Government down. The Government not unremittingly to raise the standards of policit in the face of stopping short of the same procedure has according to raise the standards of policit in the face of gaullist recently been adopted by M saks in Le Quocidien de Paris today. The Government today. These arreacks and provocations of the six in the face of Gaullist today. The Government today in today in today. The Government today in today in today. The Government today in today. The Government today in today in today in today. The Government today in today. The Government today in today i

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Iran prepares for trial of the American hostages but they would 'be set free if acquitted'

Tehran, Dec 5

After two weeks of repeated warnings to President Carter, the Iranians now seem to have started preparations for the trial of the 49 American embassy staff held hostage in Tehran by student followers of Ayatollah

At a press conference today, Ayatollah Mohamed Beheshti, the secretary of Iran's ruling Revolutionary Council, said the prisoners would be tried on spy charges according to Islamic charges according to Islamic law but that they would "be freed if acquitted". Although the United States is bound to take Dr Beheshu's

statement seriously, it none the less represents a more moderate approach than that adopted by other members of the Revolutionary Council recently.

This is the first time any official here has suggested that some of the prisoners may be innocent and it reinforces a growing suspicion in Tehran

that the council, perhaps even Ayatollah Khomeini, are anxious to release the hostages providing there is no loss of face in the process.
Officially, the Iranian line remains the same: that the hostages will be tried unless the Shah is returned to Iran. It

try the hostages will lose much of its meaning if the Shah leaves the United States for Egypt or some other country prepared to offer him asylum. Once he leaves America, the

prisoners, cease to be hostages. They would be merely prisoners of the Revolutionary Council. According to Dr Beheshti, the students do not want to try the prisoners themselves, a state-ment which contradicts something the students said earlier in the week, but would ask a revolutionary court to take res-possibility for such a trial"

ary Council, formally rejected the United Nations Security the United Nations Security Council's call for the hostages' release. They also called on Sandis to "rise up against American oppression", adding that their appeal was especially addressed to Saudi oil workers. Strikes by Iranian oil technicians played a key part in the Shah's downfall.

As if such international exhortations to revolution were not enough, the son of one of the leading clergymen on the Revolutionary Council declared today that he proposed to send

is now clear, however, that the Americans are not going to

hostages, and the Iranians use precisely that word for their After a catestrophie civil war

This afternoon, the students rine Liberation Organization however, would not welcome such intervention: ir therefore seems unlikely that Hojetislam Montazer's young men will set foot outside Tehran

extradite the former monarch 1,700 "volunteers" to fight for and that the suments threat to the Pelestinian cause in

Russians

From Michael Binyon Moscow, Dec 5

accuse US

of resorting

to blackmail

The Russians today accused

the Americans of a gross viola-tion of international law in

a large responsibility to preserve peace, but was actually resorting to blackmail against another severeign state.

"Instead of showing an, example of restraint responsibility and composure in the present situation, instead of redoubling efforts in find a reasonable way out of the situation without giving reits to remotions, certain circles of the United States are making ar ever greater stake on force."

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Provda said it was argued that the holding of hostages

was against international law.
Admining that the seizure of
the American embassy was
"undoubtedly" not in keeping

with the international conven

tion on the respect of diplomatic immunity, the paper said this could not be taken out of the overall context of American-

tranian relations.
It said American actions on
Iran "by no means agree with
the norms of law and morality"

and could not be overlooked. It

and could not be overlooked. It ched the overthrow, with American help, of the Mossadee, government in 1953, the lawlessness of the Shah's regime and the refusal of the United States to extradite the United States to extradite the Shah and return the wealth he plundered from Itan.

The article accused America of shelpering a murderer and a plunderer. Referring to American concern for national himour, it said sheltering a criminal did nothing to enhance a country's prestige and honour.

a country's prestige and honour. There were more than enough facts to show that the

Americans were preparing to use force. Talk of having

exhausted peaceful means to

manocurre, the paper suggested, intended to justify the use of force at home and

ference in fren's internal affairs. However the article did not mention that the clause

settle the conflict

abroad.

Hojerislem Mohamed Mount zeri claimed that the Iranians had been issued with passports and that their first contingent would enter Lebenon on

tion of international law in threatening to use force against fran. They said the United States was deliberately storing up the most serious crisis since the Second World War.

The charges were made in Pravida in an article signed with followed by almost three more the Second World War, the Second World War, years of civil unrest and an Israeli invasion, one might have thought that Lebanon could have been spared an injection. It is the first official Kremin of Iranian revolutionary zeal. It is the first official Kremin But the Hojerislam insisted that comment of the Iranian crisis his men would enter Lebanon since the American embassy comment of the Iranian crisis since the American embassy his men would enter Lebanon by force if necessary was stormed, and its tone is tougher than all previous press All international spies enter the Lebanon he said, apparently without humour. So why clarming situation was develop-ing. Gross military and political pressure was being brought to bear on Iran by one of the most powerful states in the world. As a member of the Security Council the United States had a large responsibility to preshouldn't we?" Even the Pale

Teheran, Dec S.—A revolu-tionary guard posted at the Oom home of livers dissident Ayatolleh, Kazen Shaniar Mariari, was shot dead today after demonstrations against the clergyman, according to an aide who added that isolated shooting was heard in the Holy City, frome of Ayatollah Khomeins, for about four hours today.—Reuter.

Autonomist leader inspired by Marx and Islam

Kurds seek political solution

Shaikh Ezzeddin Hussaini, spiritual leader of five million Iranian Kurds, theological inspiration for the unity of Kurdistan's three political parties and unashamed believer in both Islam and Marxist-Leminist suciarism, sat cross-legged on a richly embroidered carpet and fingered his worry-beads.

They clicked and rattled through our conversation like punctuation marks, their tempo increasing when the questions were pointed, slackening when

"The Kurds have been struggling for autonomy for 50 years now," the shalkh said. "They took part in the recent struggle against the Shah's regime. We are not demanding independence. There is a large gap between constraint autonomy. tween separatism and autonomy. Independence means a unit becomes an independent country. We want a direct rela-

Government's military attack upon us. It was they who

"At first we were not ready to resist them but because they put pressure on our people, we defended ourselves. Now the Government's attack has been smashed. But we still want a peaceful solution. Since all of us are living in a united coun-try and all are brothers, the best solution to the Kurdistan problem is a political solution."

I had been taken to the shaikh's "safe bouse" in Mahabad by two Kurdish guer-rillas from the Marxist-Leninist Komala movement. We had driven from their headquarters—a drafty, half-finished apartment block filled with teenagers carrying rocket launchers: and heavy machine-gun ammuni-tion—in an old American Jeepshaikh did not feel very

becomes an independent country. We want a direct relationship with the central Government of Iran. We want to live in Iran.

He raised his hand for a moment to the window where the snow had covered the near est mountain. There was an Iranian Army tank dug in on the cliffside, its barrel protruding rudely from the winter political way parties and other pad for Iranian he winter the snow had covered the near est mountain. There was an Iranian Army tank dug in on the cliffside, its barrel protruding rudely from the white political armies and other pad for Irania domination of the groups and the took away the Guilf. These are questions freedom of the press and which receive no reply.

created press censorship. He changed the Assembly of the People into an Assembly of Experts. We do not agree with that Ayatollah Khomeini is

Then the shaikh interrupted himself: "Of course, if Ayatolish Khomeini accepts autonomy for the Kurds as he has promised, we will be much closer to him and our relations

will improve.

Shalkh Husseini smiles at obvious questions. How did he competitive aspirations of Islam and tachcal socialism? If we look at the origins of Islam, he said we origins of Islam, he said, we can see that there are no differences between Islam and socialism. In history, the clergy charged the meaning of islam. That is all he says there is no explanation of this enigmatic view of Islamic history. It seemed a painfully naive

The smake the shalkh for thok no account of great power his views on Ayatollah politics. Mention Iraq in Maha-Khomeini, the worry beads click had, for instance, and the confaster.

Ayatollah Khomeini's role in The Kardish guerriffas display he said, seen hundreds of Russian rifles on

Shah diverted \$1,000m for UN decision

Tehran, Dec 5

Instead the Government is to press ahead with a new technological survey to find out how the salt produced as a by-product in the Alsace Potash Mines can otherwise be disposed of Meanwhite the Government will ensure that waste salt is not poured from the Documents uncovered in an investigation into the finances of the deposed Shah show that more than \$1,000m (about £454m) in identifiable funds was diverted or misappro-priated by the Shah and his family from Iranian banks and other institutions, it is claimed. Officials at the Central Bank here presented documents for examination by the New York Times saying they supported their charges that the Shah their charges that the Shan used a pattern of preferential bank loans and inflated constructon projects to siphon money from public to personal

-Some of the documents are written in Persian and others in English. The Iranian bank officials have permitted reporters to have some of the documents translated independently and to make photocopies. They are sorting through thousands of documents in file rooms which they say contain the record of transactions made by the Shah and his fam-

ily before he was deposed.

According to the papers, the amount of documented unreamount of documented unre-paid bank loans to the Shah's interests, derived for the most part from Iraman banks hold-ing public deposits, suggest several types of improper banking practices.

Part of the diversions in-volved the Pahlavi Foundation,

Weather facts Iraq ultimatum gathered from to Tehran over 150 countries mission attacks Baghdad, Dec 5.—Iraq today issued an ultimatum to Iran, that if attacks against Baghdad's diplomatic missions did From Our Correspondent

Geneva, Dec 5 Data from across the entire world, including the polar regions, was collected during the 12-month global weather experiment which ended on November 30.

da's diplomatic dissions did not stop in one week, all Iraq diplomats will be withdrawn from Iran.

Mr. Saadoun Hammedi, the Iraq Foreign Minister, sum-moned the Iranian Ambassador in Baghdad and delivered a pro-tage that which colliness fources. The 150 member-countries of the World Meteorological Organization made available 9,200 surface observation. test note, which political sources said amounted to a warning stations, 850 stations for the upper atmosphere and facilities on 700 merchant ships. that diplomatic ties could be broken if the Tebran authori-ties failed to stop the enti-Ten satellites were employed. The Iraq news agency re-ported the note as saying.

These arracks and provoca-tions indicate that the Iranian Government is either actually

own use, investigators say inew basis ostensibly a charitable organi for action the Shah. These included conmercial ventures with artificially inflated values as well as money for the Shah and his family that the Iraman Revolutionary. Government says believes that the United Natbelongs to the Iraman people. Imas' Security Council resolu-

penngs to the Iraman people.

It was unclear from the papers made available over what time span the alleged diversion of funds took place. The Shah, during his reign, was accused by opponents of treating Iranian Government funds as the personal holdings of the royal family. of the royal family. In addition, investigators say

they have now documented over \$50m in transfers of money out of Iran into secret bank accounts in the year before he was deposed. They claim that about \$30m was transferred into dozens of secret foreign accounts and that this total comes from only a this total comes from only a small fraction of the transfer records now being investigated. The investigation has been undertaken in recent weeks to support Iranian Government charges of financial corruption by the Shah.

The Shah remained in his

convalescence quarters at Lackland air force base, Texas, beyond reach of requests for comment Air Force officials, enforcing a blackout on news about the Shah's stay, refused to take messages to him or to members of his staff.—New York Times News Service.

tion on Iran "sets a new basis for action and approaches" towards obtaining the release of the Tehran Embessy hostages. The State Department would not

did not mention that the clause in the 1921; Soviet transan treaty giving the Russians the legal right of intervention in case of a threat to them by a third power has just been unilaterally annulled by Iran. The extremely tough stance taken by the Russians could in part be explained by the Soviet need to explain to the transans why the Russians to the transans why the Russians to the transans why the Russians to the hostages. The Russians bave been stung by previous suggestions

The State Department would not offer any elaboration of that statement this morning.

A spokesman said that the National Security Council met again yesterday to examine the subject. It has been reported that a plan of campaign was approved, but no details of decisions have been disclosed. In a statement read as the in a statement read at the White House to reporters this morning, Mr Walter Mondale, the Vice-President, again denounced the conditions that the nounced the conditions that the hostages are being subjected to. He said that no outside observer had been allowed to see them in the past; 10 days and added that they were denied the comforts of religion.

The State Department announced that the United States was temporarily supported. announced that the United States was temporarily suspending the operation of its embassy in Tripoli, Libya, which was sacked by a mob on Sunday.

A suspension is not a breaking of diplometic relations, and most Embassy staff will remain in Tripoli.

The Russians have been stung by previous suggestions that their words and votes in New York imdermined the moral support which the Iranian amhassador here last week asserted the Soviet Union was wholeheartedly giving Iran. The article makes it clear that the Russians are determined to evaluate the resistant. mined to exploit the crisis to the hit. They take their cue on public organizations on Iran from the pro-Soviet Tudeh Party, which is giving enthu-siastic support to the Avatollah.

Conference bars South Africa

Delhi, Dec 5.—The Inter-national Atomic Energy Agency today barred South Africa from its annual conference here because of the country's aparticid policies.

The conference voted 49 to 24 in favour of a Nigerian resolution to reject the credentials of the South African delication to the credentials of the South African delegation—a move which the South Africans said was illegal

Liza Minnelli wedding New York, Dec 5.—Liza Minnelli the film actress, has married Mr. Mark Gero, the Broadway producer, in a private church ceremony attended by the family and a few close friends. It was her third marriage.

Moderate general named **Argentine Army chief**

From Our Correspondent. Buenos Aries, Dec 5

The appointment is con-sidered a victory for the moderate line in the armed forces in that General Galtieri has always expressed support for a return to democracy with few As commander-in-chief of the conditions. The hardiners have Army, General Galtieri will be wished to purge Argentina of all elements they dislike before

been weakened over the past decisive voice in appoint vear. Their most senior officer, President Videla's successor General Carlos Suarez Mason 1981.

Was promisted from the con Leading article, page 15

General Leopoldo Fortunato
Galtleri has been nominated as
commander in chief of the
Argennae Army to take commander the end of the year.

The army to part to be chief of the army to take to be chief of the support his opinions.

The army to part to be chief of the army to part of the second most powerful corps, mishandled a mutin over the release of Senor Jacobo Timerman, the left wing

editor, and was removed from

a members of the military junta, wished to purge Argentum of a memoers of the mintary junta, all elements they dislike before the country's supreme authority and given the preponderance a set of politicians.

The hardliners' position has services, his is likely to be the decisive voice in appointing President Videla's successor for

Would your Bank Manager give your retiring employees more

These days, many people running their own businesses would like to give retiring employees a bit more than a gold watch.

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You can expect the unexpected from Midland teamwork: Midland Bank



bodyguards.
Inside the dining room, Cha

emerged from the toilet shout-

obtained another gun from his agents. He returned to the din-

guards were also killed.

Took a gamble

The prosecutor's case goes on to allege that Kim then rushed to the room where Gen-eral Chung, the Army Chief of

Kim tried to hide the truth from General Chung, giving the impression that the Presi-

dent had been murdered in a

raid on the palace.

enemy must not know."

evaded the question.
Against Mr Kim's wishes,

the general drove to Army headquarters to command a

military operation if necessary.

Meanwhile, Kim Kae
Won, sensing that the plot had
failed, informed the Army of

munists, but by the man who

had been responsible for the

incarceration and execution of the President's adversaries in

the assassination.

Seoul security chief turned on President because of jealousy, prosecution claims

From Peter Hazelhurst Sepul, Dec 3

For almost two decades, Park Cheung Hee, the late President of South Korea was shielded by an impenetrable wall of security against sus-pected plots on his life by North Korean agents.

Ironically, the man who transformed his country into a modern industrialized state, was shot down, in the precincts of his own palace by a conserva-tive and trusted aide who was responsible for his safety.

The reason; Personal lousy and a bitter feud within

ledge that he was soon to be dismissed, Mr Kim Dae Kyu, the Director of South Korea's Intelligence Agency, whipped out a revolver at a dinner party on October 26 and shot President Park in the chest. Propped up in the arms of two hostesses who were attempting to staunch the wound in his chest and back, President Park was asked: Your Excellency, are you all

right?"
He replied: "I am all right," and tilted forward. These were his last words. His assassin, who had dashed to a toilet in an attempt to shoot the President's chief adviser and bodyguard, returned to the room.

Bizarre account

After the bodyguard emerged from the toilet, Mr Kim ahot him in the abdomen. Then he approached the dinner table. The President had slumped forward, with blood from his chest running onto the floor. Mr Kim placed the German revolver to the President's head and administered with murder and attempted sedition. The head of the KCIA is alleged to have fuld him:

when Kim and seven other accused are tried on charges of murder and attempted sedition. Here is the prosecution's version of the events leading to

Saudi Arabia said today that

ister, said that the body of Muhammed ibn Abdullah al-

the Imag of the mosque pro-claim him the Mahdi, a leader

In many respects Qahgani

seemed to more than a few to

prophecy: His name and pat-

Qahgani, has a blood connex-ion with the Quaraishi, Muham-

brother-in-law, Juhaiman ibn century.

ronymic were the same as the

Leader of Great Mosque

the leader of the attack on the Creat Mosque in Mecca was killed in the final government assault on the cellars where he and his followers had retreated. Prince Naif, the Interior Min-

Qahgani had been positively tion. Last week a Special Forces identified among the dead in commander at the siege put the the cellars. It was the first total at 500. The difference may

official confirmation of his have been made up by the name since the start of the women and children who

siege more than two weeks ago. accompanied the attackers.
Qahgani had demanded that Prince Naif added that most

predicted by the Prophet Kuwaitis, Yemenis and Paki-Muhammad as the divinely in-spired cleanser of Islam, who will restore justice to the world. Security forces at 60 killed and

prophet's and his tribe, the Friday prayers there.
Qahgani, has a blood connex. The assailants occupied the

200 wounded

rebels killed in cellars

failing to predict the outbreak bodyguards and KCIA agents President Park's aides and of student riots in Pusan and Massan in October, Kim believed that he was about to be dismissed.

He was also fealous, the prosecution claims, because President Park was beginning to lean more on the advice of Cha Ji Chul, his chief body-

Cha. a hardliner and Kim's junior in rank and age, had often abused and criticized the RCIA director and President Park's other aides. The pros-ecution will claim that Kim began to plan the assassination in April and was goaded into action when Cha criticized him at the dinner party in front of the President. "He had built up delusions that he could seize power after assassinating the President", a prosecutor

Murder plan

At 4 pm on October 26, Kim received a telephone call in-forming him that President Park, his bodyguard and advisers, would meet him at a dining room at the agency's office within the palact grounds.

Kim then apparently went to his office near the dining room and withdrew a revolver and ammunition from a safe. He hid the gun in a bookshelf and thing is ready." telephoned General Chung Seung Hua, the Army Chief of Staff, and his won deputy, and asked them to wait in an adjoining office while he dined with the President. They were with the President. They were

the coup de grace.

This bizarre account of President Park's final minutes is expected to be presented to a court by state prosecutors a court by state prosecutors been abused by Cha, nodded in agreement.

President Park and his chief bodyguard arrived at the dining half at 6.05 pm. Six people, on of the events leading to including two women who see assassination.

The state alleges that after the room. Some presidential

Saif al-Oteibi, is in custody in

that 75 of the attackers had been killed during the opera-tion. Last week a Special Forces

were Saudis, but there were also Egyptians, Moroccans,

security forces at 60 killed and

It is not known when the mosque will be open for worship again, although every effort will be made to hold

Haram after dawn prayers on Tuesday two weeks ago, the first day of the new Hijra

Saudi television showed some

hospital in Mecca.

waited in the antercom.

The prosecution will allege that shortly after the meal started, President Park leaned across the low dining table and asked Kim: "Do you not think that the trouble in Pusan has erupted because of a lack of in-formation from the KCIA?" Kim looked grave but did not

About an hour later Cha began to criticize him in an abusive manner.

Kim then left the table on a pretext, enetered his office and hid the revolver in his back pocket. On his way back to the dining room he showed his agents the weapon and said:
"I will get rid of them tonight. You take care of the bodyguards when you hear the shots. Are you ready?"

One of his agents replied: "I am ready, but are you going to remove the President too? There are seven body-guards here. How about putting it off to enother time?" According to the prosecution Kim replied: "No, if not today it will leak out. Select three able agents and support me. I will get rid of them all thright."

He reentered the dining room, and half an hour later put his head out of the door and told his agents: "Every-

Armed guard

He returned to the table and touched his collaborator, Kim Kae Won, on the shoulder. According to the prosecution Kim then turned to the President and, pointing to Cha, said: "Mr President, how can you do a good job when you use an insect like this." Kim then pulled the gun from his belt and fired at Cha-The bodyguard, who was not armed, was hit in the knuckle and ran to the toilet. Kim then turned his gun and shot President Park in the chest, before running after Cha. The President fell into the arms of the

two hostesses.
In the meantime, KCIA ageots in the antercom, armed with revolvers and M16 auto-matic rifles, killed five of

Chairman Hua

the visit would take place in

Mr Choi only candidate

Seoul Dec 5.—Acting President Choi Kyu Hah of South Korea was the only candidate for the presidency when registration closed today. He will almost certainly be chosen to succeed the late President Park in tomocrow's indirect

The 2,560-member electoral college, which will choose the next President without debate,

wrote to ensure his rule, is amended. He will then oversee Opposition and dissident



Ministry and arrested. A gun with five spent shells was found on him.

Within the next 24 hours a shocked nation learnt that its leader for 18 years had been assassinated, not by Communication by the many wholes. Rice from relief agencies is piled high at a refugee camp for Kampucheans near the Thai border.

Vietnamese

They described the fighting as the most intense in Vietnam's dry season offensive with 200 or 300 troops involved in some

Thailand.

had about 100,000 men there. That officers said Vietnamese troops were now more visible

after the suspension by the Thai army of food and water supplies to their camp, which straddles the border. Leaders of 300,000 anti-communist Free Rhmers have been resisting the

from the border.

The That authorities say they will resume food supplies to these Free Khmers when they are satisfied the aid is

and an unknown number of Theis died in the fight. Women also joined the struggle in which two of the refugees drowned and a third died from knife wounds. Reuter.

Guatemala death squad murders condemned

Well over 2,000 people have died in Guatemala in the past 18 months as a result of kid-nappings, disappearances and political murder, according to a report by Amnesty Internati published yesterday in Am-nesty's view, the Government is taking so steps to end the

violence. riolence. Political murders have in-creasingly been of leaders of opposition movements, particu-larly trade unionists. The aim appeared to be not only to instill a general fear of involvement in opposition activities, but also to remove leaders around also to remove leaders around whom such opposition had begun to coalesce.

To be a trade union leader

To be a grade union leader or active member of a trade union in Gustemala today means risking one's life. Amnesty comments At least six trade unionists were murdered and two kidnapped between June, 1977, and June, 1978; since then, with a new Government in office, 12 had been killed and nine kidnapped.

Ampesty's report was made killed and nine kidnapped.
Amnesty's report was made in the form of a memorandum to the Guatemalan Government, based on a five-day visit to the country last August. During the visit, "a cursory reading of the main Guatemalan newspapers revealed that approximately 42 bodies had been found throughout the country many hearing

out the country many bearing the marks of violence." The report shows that politi-cal killings, often at the hands of right-wing death squads, con-tions to be a feature of Guatemalen life, as they have been for many years. Not all the killings are on one side, since the police and government officials have also been victims. But the vast majority of the death squads victims had been trade unionists, peasants, students and academic leaders. active church members and democratic political opponents In no case of which Amnesty

was aware, had a killing been fully investigated and its perfully investigated and its per-petrators brought to justice.

A new death squad, the
Ejercito Secreto Anticom-munista (ESA), had appeared
on the scene in 1978 and pub-lished lists of prominent
people, whom it claimed to
have tried and sentenced to
death. Some of them had since
heen murded with their

been murdered, with their bodies often far from the place where they had been abducted and mutilated to make identification impossible. Amnesty suggests that the ESA is the latest name for

long standing extremist elements, serving as an umbrella group for security forces, militgroup for security forces, mili-ing personnel, land holders and businessmen. The aim is to solve problems related to land titles, union organizing drives or economic development pro-jects by killing or intimidating those they oppose.

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Lord Soames to wait until final agreement is reached

Continued from page 1
Dr Mundawarara, deputy
Prime Minister in Bishop
Muzorewa's Government (which will be turning itself out of office when the British Governor arrives) said it was a pleasure to compliment "our" Lord Carrington was quick to take up this fraternal reference and said—noting wrly that none was calling him a brother—that he hoped it signalled a spirit of reconciliation.
Our Political Editor writes: It

is clear that Lord Soames will not go out to Rhodesia unless agreement has been Sending out an assistant or

deputy governor first is being tentatively called a one-and-a-haif class solution. But a ceasenair class somtion. But a cease-fire has now been agreed, and the Government believes that by Sunday the Salisbury side would have accepted Britain's proposed details and gone home, so a British authority would be required. The Patriotic Front leaders would be expected by Britain to agree to all details shortly afterwards.

British thinking on the timetable after final agreement is believed to run as follows: Five days after signature the cease-fire to take effect; 12 days after signature, with the Com-monwealth monitoring force deploying, all Rhodesian. Government and, above all, Patriotic Front forces to have movement

an acting governor are acknow-ledged; fighting could still be going on and that is why he would be an official of lesser

on their acceptance. arrington was quick to his fraternal reference uoting wrly that node g him a brother—that it signalled a spirit of tion. It is a lord Soames will be making the it of Soames will be to Rhodesia unless treement has been would be an official of lesser rank than Lord Soames. A minister in charge of the Civil Service, has important responsibilities. To day, he will be making the announcement to Parliament of cuts of \$0,000 posts in the civil service over the next two years. However if prompt agreement is reached with the Patriotic from the is ready to five to Front he is ready to fly to Salisbury.

Salisbury.

Since none of this was mentioned in either House yesterday the significance of the agreement almost bypassed MPs and peers. The Government's rushed statement was so low key and self-contradictory that experiences still concentrations. that questioners still concen-trated on pending or past issues. Lord Carrington had to prompt colleagues that his statement was more hopeful than he was being given credit for.
In the Commons the presence

of South African forces in Rhodesia worried Labour and Liberal leaders and their back-benchers. But Sir Ian Gilmour, Lord Prive Seal and foreign affairs spokesman, insisted that the Government had made it plain that under a British Governor "there will be no external interference in Zimbabwe". This was taken to assembly areas.

This is much faster than the Patriotic Front would wish, and there is n. hiding the concern the concern than the south of the concern than the concern than the south of the concern than the co

Ceausescu critic taken ill

Mr Constantia Pirvulesco, a strict security. There was no former member of the ruling immediate word on his condi-Politburo, was expelled from tion.—Reuter.

Vienna, Dec 5.—An 84-yearold veteran of the Romanian
Communist Party who publicly
criticized President Ceausescu
of the country.

at the party congress last The sources said that Mr month, is in hospital after a Pirvulescu was taken to hos-Inflation, if it continues long enough at high rates, creates heart attack diplomatic pital in Bucharest on Friday sources in Bucharest said today, and put in a private ward under

to visit Japan in May Peking, Dec 5.—Chairman Hua Guofeng of China today

accepted an invitation to visit Tokyo next year. The invitation was extended by Mr Masayoshi Ohira, the Prime Minister of Japan, who is visiting China. Mr Ohira arrived earlier to-day on a five-day visit that will concentrate on Japanese in-volvement in China's moderniz-

An initial round of talks with Chairman Hua, appeared to have gone well, although a Japanese spokesman indicated that there had been no surprises during a review of the international situation.

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The Japanese spokesman indicated to vote unanimously for Mr Choi, aged 60, who was for Minister under Park under Park willes of borderland from the extreme south to Ban Kalor, a village north of the Thai provincial town of Ta Phrya, they said. The Japanese spokesman said

Japanese Foreign Ministry officials said Mr Ohira was pre-pared to offer China an aid

and loan package worth up to E550m over five years. The talks covering bilateral relations and the provision of Japanese aid were due to start tomorrow.--Reuter

for presidency

election.

presidential elections. leaders, who strongly oppose the constitution, demanded immediate changes followed by a presidential election in six or

seven months. Mr Choi has said that the next President should not serve across the border than in the out the remaining five years of Park's term,—AP.

More than 6,200 Kampu-

gains in Kampuchea From Neil Kelly Bangkok, Dec 5

Vietnamese forces made important territorial gains from Khmer Rouge guerrillas during recent fighting in several parts of western Kampuchea, intelli-gence analysts said today.

The Vietnamese forced the Khmer Rouge out of a number of strongholds established after

about 10,000 Kampucheans crossed the border into The analysts said Vietnam

one of them, Norodom Soryavong, said today that he would defy the food blockade. "We

want to stay here. If we go into Thailand a million of our relatives in Kampuchea will die as they depend upon us to take them food from the border".

he said.

Nevertheless, more than 50,000 Kampucheans have moved themselves from his control to a new refusee camp at Khao I Dang, eight miles.

reaching civilians. Some they claim, is being saved for 16 die as fire soldiers.
Sea battle: Vietnamese refugees from a sinking boar fought a battle at sea with Thai fisher.
Rosario, Argentina. After the Ban Kalor battle, men who had robbed them, the about 10,000 Kampucheans captain of the British tanker said at Darwin today. Caprain Norman Sloan of the moved extra troops towards the Engains, quoted refugees as That border recently and now saying that three Vietnamese

Rosario, Argentina Dec. 5.-Fire swept through a nightclub here shortly before dawn today, killing 16 people and injuring at least 10 others. Most of the dead were trapped because the cinb's windows were shuttered. curring off all escape routes ex-cept the main entrance. The Rilke II club was filled with mostly young people, some of whom were dancing, when the front of the establishment burst into flames, police said.

Inflationary seeds of malaise affecting Western economies traced to the 1960s

International cooperation urged to avert world depression

Economists can be divided and social group thinks of today into two groups, according to their answer when asked to say, in one word, which is our most serious problem. Some answer "oil"; others answer accustomed; instead they were answer "inflation". Unfortunately both are right, and when they are allowed a two-word answer they usually come up with both oil and inflation.

A the OFCD in Basic one of

At the OECD in Paris one of the experts with whom I talked about our economic expectations for the Eighties summed up the relation between oil and inflation in the following way:

"In the Sixties we had a golden age because we did not have serious inflationary problems. Our troubles did not start in 1973 with the first oil crisis; they started two or three years earlier, and the first inflationary seeds of our malaise were already being sown in the second half of the Sixties.

"If we had been healthier, we would have better absorbed the increase of oil prices: Germany, Japan and some others did. The oil crisis was a powerful aggravating factor, but not the historical origin of our problems, though it may now have become a factor which prevents us from recovering. Today we have an inflationconstraint on growth and inside it an energy-constraint. In order to relax them we need a much more successful energy policy; it might be decisive. The best macroeconomic policy would not be enough, without a good

How inflation becomes a constraint on growth is better understood today, after several vears' experience in highly indestrialized countries; an im-portant "control group" of nations, like Germany, Switzer, land and Japan, which are more resistant to this mal du sicle, offers useful corroborating evi-

"That is why" one OECD official says, "productivity trends have become so much

worse. The fact that the economies become less efficient produces a welling up of defe attitudes : regional subsidies, subsidies to weak industries, a growing domestic and external protectionism which acts as a further constraint, jeopardizing future growth prospects." After a decade or so of low

investment, when governments try expansionary policies (as the Carter Administration did). they immediately meet inflationary bottlenecks. A vicious circle of inflation low investment, low productivity and more inflationary to the control of the c flation comes into existence. On the basis of such disheartening experiences, most OECD

governments are now seriously trying to fight inflation, mostly through restrictive monetary (and budgetary) policies. Ex-perts at the OECD say: "We shall need quite a few years of restrictive demand management rolicies, until we get a change in the behaviour of social groups, by destroying inflationbe pleasant, but it is worth doing pecause the dichotomy between growth and price stability is a salse one. It is no longer true that inflation is the price to be paid in order to have higher rates of growth. In the Fifties 1 per cent more inflation might

Western economies are beset by the problems posed by oil and inflation. But some experts believe that the troubles did not start with the 1973 oil crisis. Their roots may be found in the 1960s. Arrigo Levi here looks at this mal du siècle and the monetarist policies devised to combat it.

tition in domestic markets, or in the world market." It remains to be seen whether these policies will actually be implemented and whether they will be successful. Some OECD officials fear "an overkill"; they would have liked to see less restrictive policies by the less "inflationary" countries (those with a higher degree of Switzerland, Austria, Belgium and the Netherlands. So far, the governments involved have said no, but the Economic Policy Committee of the OECD (which includes all finance ministers) has recognized

In its latest meeting, the com-mirree has stated that, "in the period ahead . . macro-economic trends may differ importantly between countries and has advised "close and continuproduce more growth. But to our consultation between day, if we do not get a more national authorities on monestable price atmosphere, we tary policies, so that universal shall not get the invest restrictive actions may notment decisions that are neces.

The optimistic scenario still seems possible at this moment thanks to the moderate growth of wages: as OECD ministers

But it can be avoided : "The

brought into balance with Our twin diseases are strictly supply availability", to prevent connected. The West may not be further increases. In the longer able to prevent new oil crises run the imbalance must be alle-visted through common actions which promote conservation and develop new energy supplies. This is where economic and

energy policies meet. At present, the OECD forecasts for present, the UELD forecasts for its members in 1980 an overall gnp growth of 14 per cent, down from 3 per cent in 1979. National rates will vary between -1.2 for the United States, -0.7 for Britain, 2.3 for Germany and 5.4 for Japan. The important point is that the three-big economies should have big economies should have a scissor-like development. The United States would have a very bad first half but a recovery in the second half; the opposize would happen in Germany and Israel.

Such " desynchronized " cycles Such "desynchronized" cycles might prevent a general depression as it originated, out of dramatically "synchronized" cycles, in 1974-75. But this scenario would fall apart like a castle of cards if a new inflationary spurt of oil price increases forced upon the West a further does of restrictive political prices. further dose of restrictive poli-

have pointed out." most countries "have been able to prevent the higher energy prices of 1979 "from provoking a new prices wage 'spiral". Inflation should therefore start abating during the first half of 1989, unless of course We witness another jump in oil prices, which would force a new synchronized sluing of the big three economies. Another generalized depression would follow, the second in less than

key factor, a high OECD afficial says, remains that of oil prices. We can still avoid an increase if we cooperate, instead enough at high rates, creates sary in order to go back to readesply-rooted inflationary expectations. In an atmosphere of higher eumisyment. Nor shall the ministers said, are equally And we must have quantitative sions increase. Each individual sary conditions of free competition increase. Each individual sary conditions of free competition increase.

agle for quite some time, but it can ions make them less damaging by and anti-inflationary and energy policies. These will demand a and very intense international coo-At peration.

Urgent commitments and long term policy decisions must be made; that is why energy ministers of OECD will meet seven weeks in advance of their schedule, after this week's EEC energy ministers' meeting. we are now playing dearly for the "years of the locusts". the wasted years between 1973 and 1978 when the oil scare seemed to have magically gone away and everybody fell asleep.

away and everyoody tell askep.

In the 1980s, against an alarming background of political instability all over the world and of a general slow-down-of economic growth (the Soviet Union and its allies are even worse off than the West), the simultaneous fight against inflation and against energycrises will require an ever-higher degree of international cooperation within existing in-stitutions: the IMP, the OECD and the European Community. Complex strategies will have to be devised and carried out by all governments, together or separately. The maximum of reciprocal confidence and understanding is needed. The idea that any single nation may try and sort out its problems by itself through some sort of nationalistic revival, cannot be seriously entertained .This is the framework within

This is the transework within which one must deal with the framily squabble, as Lord Carrington rightly pur it, which is raging in the EEC over Britain's \$1,000m (or rather ecce. £650m, the amount upon which this great war is now being fought). Unfortunately, the family squabble takes place while the house is on fire.

· Arrigo Levi O Times Newspapers Led, 1979. Armchair selling. Whatever you've got to

on trick properties but on revealing the enchantment in commonplace objects; a string of soap-bubbles which burst with a metallic chime as he

pops them; and the school of paper fish which he puts

through a four-act tragedy in

two minutes flat. Except in the animal finale,

for which a mechanical organ is

held in reserve, the evening consists of solo spots for the

two artists: M Thierree coming

on with his suitcase to renew his conspiratorial rapport with the house, Miss Chaplin per-forming as if in total solitude, unsmiling and hesitant and as if

This seems decidedly unlikely after her opening solo in which

she dances an Irish jig on the high wire before, yet again, falling asleep in mid air. After

displaying her circus creden-tials, she embarks on the real

night's work leaving crthodox routines far behind. She is a

mask specialist with an interest

in total transformations of the

body. In one of these, where she appears smothered in bells

and cymbals with an accordion breastplate, her face remains unmasked. Nevertheless. in David Robinson's apt phrase.

she turns herself into a tune " Elsewhere in the programme she hobbles on as an amazing

carnival monster on silk-swathed stilts, and later works

through a wardrobe of fans with which she sheds the human

figure and passes through in-

sect and animal phases before

taking shape as a gigantically-winged eagle. The show is childlike, techni-

cally perfect, and single-mindedly intent on awakening

the basic sense of theatrical

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The painter in isolation

L. S. Lowry used to say to his young friend Sheila Fell: to go back down before recovering from being badly gassed in the First World War. He was still working underground when Sheila was born chaps, and they make a good in 1931. To make matters cup of tea." When the Royal Academy approached her, she accepted his advice, becoming a full RA in 1974, and finds poth the test and comband held agreeable.

Apart from the six pictures which she regularly sends to the RA's summer show, of which more than half usually sell, her present show at the New Grafton Gallery (at 42 Old Bond Street, W1) is her first major effort in London since the last of five one-man shows at the still-lamented Beaux Arts Gallery of Helen Lessore. That was in 1964, not long

before the Beaux Arts demise. In between there have been several exhibitions in the north. Miss Fell, as Lowry insisted on calling her until the very last time they met despite knowing her for more than 20 years, was born in Aspatria, near Wigton in Cumbria. Her father was a miner, her mother a skilful zailoress.

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worse, he contracted silicosis. She remembers his lungs mak-ing a crackling sound like brown paper. Later he worked in a flour mill, and during the Second World War as a dock policeman, dving three years ago aged 81.

While father was working or tending his racing pigeons, the young Sheila went for walks with her mother, who had a great love of wild flowers. "I was a very romantic child. I still am, I used to love fairy stories, and started colouring them," she recalls.

Encouraged by an excellent art reacher at grammar school in Wigton, she went on to study fabric design at art school in Carlisle. There she took a design diploma, but was told she would never make a painter. Fortunately, when she got to St Martin's School of Art in London, her teachers Vivian Pitchforth and John Napper gave her more encouragement.

Her father, whom she loved Then Lowry came to her first dearly, went down the mines at show at the Beaux Arts 1955, dissent, and it elaborated on

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bought several works (he ended up with more than 201 and said he would like to meet her. He proved to be a great source of encouragement, as well as of humour and friendship. But it was only at their last meeting that he turned to her and said:
"Do you mind if I call you
Shella?" It is for human rather than

artistic reasons that she has abandoned the north for London. The landscapes of Cumberland, Northumberland, Yorkshire, Scotland and Wales remain her chief influence, inspiration and theme. But painting is an irregular activity. you have been working for hours, it is a support to know there are other creative people around, she finds. In the country, everything just closes down.

Yet, in the last analysis, even the nice chaps and the good tea at the RA, nor friends like the painters Craigle Airchison and Euan Uglow, can ease the solitude of the painter confronted by a blank canvas or paper. "Ultimately", says or paper. "Ultimately", says Miss Fell, "ir's a very lonely job. It's the same as writing, but you need a bit more equipment."

Roger Berthoud

In last week's programme Grigsby seemed to shy away from anything which was too specifically Indian, preferring to batter his viewers with a suc-cession of speeches from iournalists and trades unionists. The result was less an investi-

of several hundred Muslim families being bulldozed out of their homes in the middle of the night (some still in their homes, gative piece about India than an inspirational piece about the need for socialism. Tuesday night's programme was horrifying, but it would have been even more so if the film-making techniques had not heen so ostentatiously even radiate a deadening lack of confusingly, arty. For much of curiosity, with the producer, Michael Grigsby, and his team seeming content to tramp over camerawork rather than filling beat on winning prizes for their camerawork rather than filling

what must be, at least to those out the case for the prosecufamiliar ground. The people must be educated, the people Next week we shall hear about the peasants' and workers' views on how their must organize to fight oppression: yes, of course they must, but the key question for journalists visiting India is bow these democracy should develop. Grigsby and his colleagues should beware, as they present things can be achieved in the these, of capitulating to their face of caste, religion and local other fatal flaw—a numbing didacticism.





Arne Villumsen and Lis Jeppersen in La Sylphide

Bournonville's staying power

So there it all was. It seemed as if almost before Denmark's Bournonville Festival had started our revels then had ended. There was the bust of the venerable choreographer himself in the grand foyer well not that grand, for this is Denmark-of the Royal Theatre, bewreathed but impassive, and there was Serge Lifar, with his charmingly idiosyncratic combination of bonhomie and scene-stealing, making a speech in heavily accepted French and handing out his own awards. So the great, Bournonville, the only choreographer to receive post-humous fame, can rest quietly for another 100 years, and by then, of the present celebrants, probably only the beguilingly indestructible Mr Lifar will still be around.

With its widespread and deeply respectful international coverage, the festival estab-lished that August Bournonville, choreographer and balletmaster, was inday better known across the world than any other Danish arrist with the sole exception of Hans Christian Andersen. What would Carl Nielsen have thought, or those grave and revered Danish playwrights, Ludvig Holberg and Adam Ochienschlager, whose twin statues massively dominate the Royal Theatre's portico?

In essence the festival, with its nine Bournonville works and excerpts spread over six performances, demonstrated the contemporary power of Bournouville, offered an in-sight into the present strength of the Royal Danish Ballet and proved a public relations exercise par excellence.

The Danes, having lured a remarkable gathering of dance critics and dance personalities, proceeded to play on their susceptibilities with masterly skill. There were parties and receptions, critics were shown classes, there were films (particularly, an astonishing historic film of Hans Beck, Juliet Price and Valborg Borchsenius, taken at the beginning of the century and probably the oldest dance film extant) and demonstrations.

The first four performances of the festival I have already written about. The last 1400 proved variously interesting.
There was a disastrously
danced performance of Konservatoriet over which kindness will draw a veil, and the pre-miere of a new production of A Folk Tale, which had been previewed at the Tivoli Theatre during the summer. A Folk Tale is Bournon-ville's most boring surviving ballet. This was the third

production I had seen, the first being in 1953 when the Royal Danish Ballet was at Covent Garden on its first foreign tour. When Flemming Fhadt was director of the company he reproduced the baller in association with the great Bournonville guru Hans Brenaa.

That first staging, by Niels Bjorn Larsen with more or less naturalistic scenery, seemed tedious, even with Erik Bruhn as the non-dancing hero Junker Ove. The later Flindt production had designs that were drenched in French chic. The new settings and cos-names, by Lars Juhl, are no better, looking as if they had been devised by a Danish committee set up to design an allpurpose greetings card.

Kirsten Ralov, the company's staged this revival, is sensitive to every aspect of the Bournouville style, but lacks something of Brenaa's knack as a producer. Brenaa himself had difficulty the style and the style of difficulty with this story of trolls and the simple power of goodness, even though the bal et has one of Bournonville's best scores, composed by Niels W. Gade and J. P. E. Hartmann. It always sounds as if Weber or Mendelssohn are just around the corner, although they never are.
Lis Jeppesen radiated purity like an advertisement as Hilda, the heroine carried off by

trolls, Linda Hindberg most spirited as the elf-chan-geling who wrongly becomes lady of the manor and Arnt Villumsen wandered through the hero's role with a totally appropriate air of noble bewilderment. Incidentally, Miss Ralov has committed the solecism of interpolating a brief and perfunctory solo for Ovea pixy, for the only interesting tradition about the part was that he scarcely danced a step. The festival ended with the trusted and the true-La Sul-

phide and the last act of Napoli. In La Sulphide the temperamental but fascinating Mr Villumsen redeemed a somewhat sporty festival engagement with a handsomely ardent James, Frank Andersen provided a sturdy Gurn, Sorella Englund (only recently the Sylphyde herself before a tragic illness diverted her career) gave a nervy, febrile account of Madge, and Miss Jeppesen was all fugitive, tentative made and light as the tative grace and light as that eponyous heroine, the archery pai symbol of Romantic ballet.

Clive Barnes

Le Cirque Imaginaire Riverside Studios

Irving Wardle

Poetry regularly finds a place alongside showbusiness in the French circus, and the task Jean-Baptiste Thierree and Victoria Chaplin have set themselves in this 75-minute entertainment is to do away with conventional showmanship al-together. The result relates to the big top as Ravel's Valses Nobles et Sentimentales relate to Johann Strauss.

What can a circus do without? From the Chaplins' elimination game it can evidently do without noise, opulence, knockabout, performing animals, verbal gags, and mass spectacle. It cannot do without skill, magic, and audience-contact all of which the two performers (assisted by a few mute helpers including doves and a portly white rabbit) supply in abundance. But it is just as well that M Thierrée launches the evening by suspending his wife in thin air as he winds up so many of his tricks by letting the cat out of the bag: encouraging you to feel that you too could amaze your friends if you could lay your hands on a double-sided lemonade jug, a golden arrow that splits in half, and a soft half of the lands soft ball of the kind that lends on M Thierrée's head with a resounding thunk. The point he makes through

this gross departure from the magician's code is that nagic still works and can still be beautiful to look at even when its secret is shared between the performer and the spectator. Often his routines depend not

Philharmonia/

Andrew Davis Festival Hall

William Mann

London's orchestras are paying friendly tribute to Sir Michael Tippett on his approaching seventy-fifth birthday. On Tues-day it was the turn of the Phil-harmonia Orchestra who included his piano concerto in an all-British programme, part of a short series conducted by Andrew Davis and featuring native works. The idea chimes nicely with the Festival Hall's 'Spirit of London' exhibition and indeed the concert began with Elgar's London overture Cockaigne.

The soloist in the piano concerto was a Tippett specialist, Paul Crossley tnewly sporting a full beard). The composer always intended this as a con-certo in which the piano must sing and Crossley obliged with a magical lyricism in the open-ing theme. But more than that, he and his colleagues drew attention to the bigness of the music's heart, its spacious forms and often heroic textures. It was a dashing performance with ance. with an immensely spirited finale, a brooding fierceness behind the sup-posedly tranquil central move-ment, and a bold development

Mr Davis took evident plea-sure in this reading as an oppor-

sure in this reacting as an oppor-runity to exploit the Philhar-monia's virtuosity. There was distinguished woodwind playing in the Allegro's second subject, and no end of verve in the finale's exchestral rondo material, once or twice at the expense of perfect clarity (in the first movement tra). In the first movement too). In the duet for piano and celesta, towards the end of the concerto. I could not be certain that the two instruments were in chronization; they were placed quite far apart, in any case. The spirit of the piece was abundantly to be felt. Tippert was there to hear it, and to applied his interpreters on the platform afterwards, Cockaigne, at the start of the

evening, was notable for a special tenderness brought to the loving couple's second subject, for a grandiloquent final appearance of the London theme, organ welling mightily. and for some less than immaculate balance of textures in the middle which suggested gratuitous reference to the notorious "pea-souper" fogs of those In the second half we had

interpretation of cogent vitality

Small, as runner-up) and Sallie

Estep and Anca Frankenhaeuser

Paul Taylor's Cloven King-dom, given its British premiere at Sadler's Wells on Tuesday by London Contemporary Dance Theatre, is an enlivening addition to toat company's reper-tory. The baller's theme is indicated in a quotation from Spinoza used as programme note: "Man is a social animal". You would expect the stress in that remark to fall on the adjective. but it soon becomes apparent that Taylor is placing it at least equally on the final noun. The points are made by con-

trasts. In the music, John Herbert McDowell mingles Correlli's formal dances from the seventeenth century with dis-ruptive modern incursions including much strong rhythmic percussion. Taylor's choreography similarly starts on a formal basis, with bland groupings of women in long dresses and men in tail suits, and then introduces elements of animal behaviour: arms flailing like wings, feet and hands pawing the ground. A considerable part of the

ballet is wickedly funny, but the LCDT dancers should resist a temptation to play it for laughs. Those who best brought out the wit of the choreography at this first attempt were those who danced it straight and allowed the movement to make the jokes. They were Patrick Harding-Irmer among the men (with a newcomer, Michael

among the women. Compared with Taylor's own company, whom I saw dance it in Paris last week, the produc-

tion misses out somewhat on the elegance to set off the eccen-tricity, also on a darker, more disturbing quality implicit beneath the amusing surface. Still, Cloven Kingdom is welcome for challenging the dancers to a new style after the exclusively home-made repertory they have pursued for five years. It is good to see them extending themselves to meet it: the men in the syncopated vigour of their long quartet, the women in entries more fluent, varied and musically subtle than they customarily encounter.

Siobhan Davies's Step at a Time, which began the evening, also prominently featured Salhe Estep, who has grown into a dancer of sharp clarity. She had the leading woman's part, too, in Reflections, a ballet which Robert North first staged for Ballet Rambert. The LCDT revised has a park a westigged rerevival has only a vestigial re-minder of Nadine Baylis's original setting and North seems to have tried to make the whole presentation abstract.

Even so, it comes over as something of an emotional wallow for North himself as a central figure nostalgically mixing Schwarmerei with chauvinisti-cally male Schweinerei. Estep's reserve helped cool an atmosseemed dangerously overheated The season (which is supported by a donation from Marks and Spencer) continues until Satur-day, with Cloven Kingdom all week but the other works changing this evening.

Trees in the Wind Jackson's Lane

Ned Chaillet

In Doonesbury, the American newspaper comic strip born out

of the Vietnam war and student revolts of the 1960s, the greying veterans of the new left are planning to end 1979 with a "Seventies Revival Party", geting that bit of nostalgia done with early. Trees in the Wind at Jackson's Lane Community Centre in Highgate has something of that about it too.

It was the play which John McGrath wrote to get the 7:84 Theatre Company on its way in 1971, and from its first mo-ments, while a John Lennon album from that year sets the mood, it conveys the earnest aspirations that opened the decade. There is also much more than a whiff of the despair that overtook those aspirations. Three women in a cramped flat are going through the rou-tines of their life. One reviews friend in America and thinks idly about the freedom to ravish 1979.

bronzed men in the street. A second puts down her Larxist texts to telephone the members of her study group and the third withdraws to her room to recite the atrociries of men into a tape recorder. The working class invades that studious environment in the form of a cat burglar, a member of the study group who has slipped the latch to resign from Carlyle's particular com-

munist party.

Penny Chearns, the director, is at her best when she fucuses on the more extravagant of Mr McGrath's charges against oppressors. The non-musical Song of Driving Mad", for instance, is a demonic demonstration of how petry exercises of power can destroy men's wives and employees, and both Philip Donaghy, as the burglar, and Tina Marian, as the manhating Aurelia, make those

points strongly.

Mr McGrath lets the play end with some hope, some vague faith in humanity, but the warning quotation that motivates the play. "Wind will not cease. even if trees want to rest". farewell letter from her boy-comes more as an epitaph for riend in America and thinks a decade in 7:84's revival in

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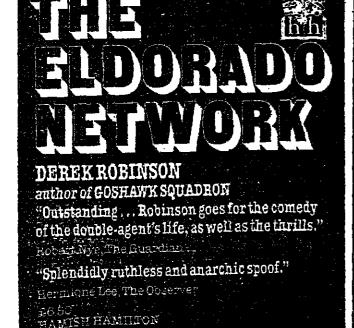
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New Books 1

To the measure of man

Today By John Ardagh (Secker and Warburg, £8.95)

John Ardagh is a metropolitan journalist, bred and based in London and Paris, and author of The New French Revolution a brilliant digest which (together with Notes from an Conference of the Paris Co Odd Country by Geoffrey Grig-son) influenced my view of modern France for the good more than any book I have

His new book, too, is a work of journalism, not sociology. A sociologist would not have allowed himself to imply that gin-and-tonic is comical when drunk by the middle-classes of Jesmond but not on Haver-stock Hill, nor to choose only stock Hill, nor to choose only the electoral figures of 1930 to illustrate the comparatively slack hold of Hitler on the voters of Baden-Würtemburg, nor to take a single remark by one interviewee as the apparent answer to a complex apparent answer to a complex question because it brings a paragraph to an effective and snappy end. Few sociologists, on the other hand, could possihave written such an intelbly have written such an inter-ligent, sympathetic, stimulating and, above all, readable book. A Tale of Five Cities is openly subjective and therefore contains enough to delight, and annoy, the most demanding

One might question for a start (as he does himself in explaining them) his choice of re towns to demonstrate Life in provincial Europe Stuttgert, Bologna , Toulouse, and Newcastle, Toulouse, and Ljubljana are all historic regional capitals, but are they sufficiently "typical" of their countries and, if so, are they because they average or because they offer in peculiarly sharp form the national temperament and pros-

sense because it exemplifies a "Slovenian" way and to pro-the great French post-war pro-vincial revival, still (without sider themselves wholly, and

the dynamic local leadership of, say, Greaoble described in Ardagh's earlier book) fatally dependent on Paris for cash and ideas; Stuttgart and Newcastle work in the second.
Sturgart is supremely prosperous and "civilized" even
by the high standards of Germany today (you are not sup-posed to Hoover on Sundays, you can go to the opera of the street); Geordies, finds them, are as Ardagh finds them, are spontaneous and enterprising with one another, and narcissistically self-defeating in their view of the world heyond. These attitudes are widespread through Britain today but

present on Tyneside in an acutely observable form. Bologna emerges the sense, and Ardagh finds it, sur-prisingly, the most complacent and least likeable of the five: a nineteenth-century city run a nineteemin century thy fully in an enlightened and unnovative manner by Communist mayors watched closely, and obstructively, by a Prefect appointed in Rome. Terrorism, immigrant labour from the South, grant labour from the South, even the motor car itself, have been kept largely at bay, under the proud communal banner una città a misura dell'uomo. A city to the measure of man: it is puzzling that Ardagh should find it quite so dislikeable, but I do not think he has fully worked it out for himself, either. Something, he himts darkly, to do with all those suffocating arcades.

Ljubljana is added, a bit awkwardly, as a pendant to the four Western cities, and is as untypical of the rest of Yugos-lavia as Slovenes are unlike Montenegrins or Serbs. But Montenegrins or Serbs. But Ardagh loved it best of all, and it certainly offers a perfect example of "provincialism" at its most positive and internationally minded; geography bisser and an international raphy, history, and an ineradicable local character all combin-ing to make Marxism work in

centrally, European, closer in more than geography to Munich and Milan than to Skopje or Belgrade. Indeed, Ljubljanans scarcely consider themselves part of the Belkans at all, placing the start of that mystic tribal territory at the Zagreb gate. A Swedien in Stuttgart, on the lither hand, would place themselves the Balkans remains of course, a time-honoured, test of one's self-regard visacvis one's neighbours. For Metlemich they (or, more accurately, the East, of which the Belkans were the first, ominous signal began at the Landstbasse, a mile or so from his office in Vienna. For the Toulousain, the line would be drawn at the Eastern extramity of the Languedoc and for the Geordie around Chesteries. For the Bolognese, who are said to prefer Wagner to Verdi because Verdi came from Parma, the Belkans would said to prefer wagner to verding because Verding came from Parma, the Belkans would clearly begin at the city's edge. Each of Mr. Ardagh's five cities entertains the highest regard of itself, and attitudes ranging from indifference to harred for the other regions and the capital of its lown country.

regionalism: Mr Ardagh does not define, nor distinguish specifically between, these three historic forces, save that it is understood that parochialism is petty (winner: Bologna, runners-up Newcastle, Toulouse), recipalities. regionalism constructive (win-ners: Stuttgart and Ljubljana, runner-up more in potential than actual achievement. Newcastle) and that provincialism can be sometime; one some times the other. In Stutteart the ballet was acclaimed as never before on its return from a triumphant visit to New York— an ambiguous acclaim, the there was great anxiety when the Northern Sinfonia went abroad for the first time lest it

at some of its grantous and uncharacteristic, for its analysis in Georgie biateriness and samulationally is course georgi and sharp, and it is not in terms of what used on action reports to be called General Americal that he places the city of the

Antirude that he places the city so low. He acknowledges that this is she most naturally consuper signate society of the first this is she most naturally consuper signate society of the first the first that the superhipe sends like held. If Notrossie has the worst bookshops and the housing to housing and whether the booking and whether the best library tystem, the must make the housing and, whether housing and whether housing and the housing the housing and whether housing and the housing the many and france. The trouble with Typeside's local swide Mr. Andagh claims, is that it is, in fact, defensive and maned inward. By offering places like Newcastle even less from outside, Mrs Thatcher will doubtiess have encouraged them to fend even more for themselves, but at the same time she will have perpendant divide. And that, as Mr Ardagh believes, is becoming both a luxury and a bore.

Mr Ardagh believes, is becom-ing both a luxury and a bore. He also believes fervently in the communal unity of Europe and in the complementary revival of regionalism to balance

its more alienating effects. Whether you agree with him or not—and I do, on both counts—you will enjoy reading this intelligent and highly entertaining book.

Michael Ratcliffe

Emperor and clown

Napoleon III and Eugénie By Jasper Ridley (Constable, £12.50)

What is needed in Mexico", wrote Louis Napoleon to his ill-fated cousin Maximilian,

is a liberal dictatorship; that is to say, a strong power which shall proclaim the great principles of modern cluffication, such as equility before the law, civil and religious liberty, an upright admin-istration, and equitable judicial procedure...

Of all institutions a liberal dic-tatorship is the most surely doomed to failure. Louis Napoleon's attempt to introduce one in France proved no exception, and in this monumental biography Jasper Ridley suggests several reasons why the Emperor was pecuharly ill-qualified to make it work. He was a romantic, inclined

to fecklessness. As a boy, when supposed to be at work, he would instead devote himself to drawing soldiers and eagles; grandiloquent themes which, in one form or another, preoccupied him throughout his life. He was incompetent Before the abortive coup of October, 1836—itself spectacularly mismanaged—he wrote two letters to his mother, one reporting success, one failure; a piece of unwanted prescience characteristically marted by the fact that the wrong letter got posted. He had a disastrous propensity to double-cross friend and foe alike. It took a statesman as naive yet also as devious as Louis Napoleon to offer Bismarck in writing a disreputable bargain, trading South Germany against Bei-gium; a proposal the Prussian prime minister never intended

The phoenix

Smile Please An Unfinished Autobiography

Jean Rhys died in May of this

year, aged 84. During the last 12 years of her life she

enjoyed fame and renewal as a

novelist when it was more or

less assumed that she was dead.

Three people helped to raise

this phoenix from her literary ashes. Actress Selma Vaz Dias

who, having long admired Good Morning, Midnight, adapted it

as a dramatic monologue, per-

suaded the BBC to perform it, and tracked down the for-

and tracked down the forgotten author in her Devon
retreat. Francis Wyndham,
enthusiast of Jean Rhys's five
novels published during the
rwenties and thirties, who interested Diana Athill who reintroduced Jean Rhys's work by
her interested by

helping her (over seven years) to complete Wide Sargassa

Sea, which won two literary awards, a bestseller's success

and resulted in new editions and two further collections of

Some claim total literary

suprematy for her work.
Others praise more selectively.
Wide Sargasso Sea has, I
think, been over-rated and has

not the original quality of her

exciser triumphs such as After Leaving Mr Mackenzie, Voyage in the Dark and Good Morn-ing, Midnight. Comparison, often made, with Katherine

Mansfield is quite off-course: Jean Rhys has little of Mans-field's disciplined mony and

stories and sketches.

By Jean Rhys (André Demsch, 54.95)

Jean Rhys By Thomas F. Staley (Macmillan Press, £10)

Louis Napoleon by d'Orsay in 1839 Most serious defect—if also an

emiable one—was that he had doubts about his own divinity. He referred to himself as a parvenu and, when the Emper-or of Russia insisted on writor of Russia insisted on writing to him as Monsieur mon ani rather than the more appropriate Monsieur mon frère, he joked that he preferred the former since a man could choose his friends but not his brothers. Against these deficiencies he set pertinacity, courage, imagination and the sacred name of Napoleon the girm; a proposal the Prussian last of which was enough to prime minister never intended win him for a time the support to accept but instead preserved of what Marx disparagingly as a time-bomb to explode at christened the lumpenprolethe most convenient moment.

stylistic perfection, and nothing could better illustrate

nothing could better lilitatrate this than Smile Please, an unfinished autobiography, which consists of fragments ("Vignettes") recorded on tape by novelist David Plante during three winters and revised by lean Plant fragments.

Jean Rhys, further fragments recorded unedited by Jean Rhys, and perhaps the most interesting section, a few diary

This method of constructing an autobiography does not affect the value of the material

nor fail to produce many vivid

impecunious years in Paris which were to yield such rich material for the novels. The gem of this collection is the

Diana Athiil introduces

Smile Please with some precise biographical and bibliographi-

cal information, and gives some

her own perfection. Mr Staley

Some fascinating material

eartier writing) and some per-sonal recollections from Ford's

extracts.

A more doubtful asset was the Empress Eugénie. Beauti-ful, charming, innelligent; Eugenia del Montijo was born during an earthquake and did her best to maintain this dise-cratibetium so long as the lived her best to maintain this dise-quilibrium so long as the lived. Stendhal loved her and in-serted coded messages to her in his foomotes to La Char-treuse de Parme; she might have been more at home in the have been more at home in the pages of Le Rouge et le Noir, for she had all Mile de La Mole's obstinacy, passion and delight in the dramatic gesture. When young she wished she were a boy and Bismarck thought her the only man in the Emperor's entourage, but there was little massivilies. was little masculine

Quick guide

The Windsor Story by J. Bryan III and Charles J. V. Murphy (Granada, £8.95). Charles Murphy admits that be and his co-author enjoyed the hospitality of the Windsors which "Offered an experience in systemed elegance and ornawhich "offered an experience in sustained elegance and ornamental luxury hardly to be matched elsewhere." Furthermore, he adds, "We liked our hosse." It was only after the Duke's death in 1972 that it occurred to the authors to reward their former hosts with this biography to show that they did not dive happily ever after. Much of their information comes from conversations with the Duke and Duchess conducted while Mr Murphy was employed as their ghost. The Duchess is frequently quoted in this book, though she was clearly speaking off the record. It is surprising that the law does not protect her from impressionistic memories of childhood in Dominica, early years in London, fraining at RADA, bectic touring, first lovers, first marriage to Jean Lengler, and those Bohemian impressions regret in Design

unedited diary extract—a view of a private hell—particularly an account of living claustro-phobically in a London pub, writing, with whisky to hand. law does not protect her from this at least during her lifetime. The book was of course meant to be published after the Duchess's death, and the authors secured many an interview on this understanding. Only the arrival in the United States of the television series Edward and Mrs Simpson prompted the publishers to wait no longer. The authors in his Critical Study gives a fuller biographical background picture. More about her second marriage to Leslie Tilden Smith and the drink problem. prompted the publishers to wait no longer. The authors then persuaded many, but not all, of their sources to sign disclaimers allowing themselves to be quoted. The quotes from old friends are given here werbatim. Now in the twilight of their lives, these friends look back, at times scornfully, often apologetically, to the bright lights and parties about Jean Rhys's relationship with Ford Madox Ford (who encouraged and directed ber

about her unless to cling tena-ciously to cherished principles is a male autribute. Napoleon III's decision to marry her startled Europe, and Lord John Russell was shocked by a mesalliance which, he felt, humbled the imperial name. His consternation is hard to understand. As Jasner Ridley understand. As Jasper Ridley comments: "It would have seemed strange to the Ajaccio solicitor, Carlo Bonaparte that the world should think that his grandson was demeaning himself by marrying a Grandee of Spain. Mr Ridley inclines to the view that Eugénie exercised less influence on her, husband than was popularly believed. The advice she did give was usually shaped by her devotion to the Catholic church and can have done little to help him keephis throne. Her loyaky to him, however, never wavered. Forty died in 1879.**

died in 1873.*

To write biographies is difficult; double biographies
present three times the problems. Jasper Ridley has grappled valiantly with his subject,
mastered a very great deal of
complex matter and whapped it
into shape. His book is scholarily, lucid, and judicious. At
times he tells us simost no
much, we learn not only how
many of Jenny Lind's performuch, we learn nor only may many of Jenny Lind's performances Louis Napoleon anesided, but are given in the same statistic for Victoria, Albert and the Duke of Wellington Cumulatively, however the right dazill contributions. ever, the rich detail contrib-utes to what by any standard is an impressive achievement. "Definitive" is a foolish word to apply to history but it will be a long time before we read a biography of Louis Napoleon and Eugenie which better deserves the appelation.

Philip Ziegler

often makes them severe in one is left to wonder how different the lives of the Windsors might have been if they had realised that their married life after the Abdication would one day be the raison d'être of a 600 page tome. They might have chosen their guests and ghosts more carefully and succeeded in preserving the myth; or they might have retained the dignified silence of Aunt Bessie Merryman and Herman Rogers, so plaintively regretted by Messrs Murphy and Bryan III. Hingo Vickers

The Judge by Patrick Devine (Oxford, £7.50). English judges do not usually make protound or original legal philosophets. Lord Devlin is the precument exception. He also writes with clarity, elegance and wit. The judge is Devlin at his semulating and provocative best. He holds the unfashionably conservative view that judges should restrict their activities to being judges, and not usurp the functions of lavenakers, juries, penologists, as he sees them doing increasingly. He attacks judicial activism and, in a memorably ingly, the arracks judicial echivism and, in a memorably scornful passage, dendes a new scheme aimed at "naming" judges to do their job. An important book, and a valuable antidore to the prevailing judicial trendy ism.

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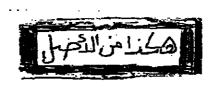
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It is an epic running com-mentary on the development of western music, though with brief reports also from other parts of the globe. It speaks with the voice of assured authorth the voice of assured ampority; it opens its pages to more than 300 music quotations (and a much more niguardly selection of plates); it seeps its samity despite the un-outh interruptions of streams if foreign titles, the algebra of dates and the perpetual par-

er of tiny footnotes.

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Indeed, his range and his rail here are remarkable. The bound to be largely a cord of events and a cara-gue of forgotten music, but ry little is allowed to escape.

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Orchestra of barbiton, phorminx, krotala, and aulos.

the sage judgment of the has "for years been occupied only does one gain a sense of is conversant with the madrigals of the fourteenth-century Jacopo da Bologna and with the operas of Spohr, with Calvinist psalters and with the music of the contemporary Estonian composer Kuldar Sink? It may be that he appears sometimes in borrowed clothes of commentary—it could hardly be otherwise—but there is very little that is not fully digested.

a true history of music and not the history of musicology it sometimes threatens to become. In this connexion one may feel some qualms when Professor Abraham declares he

liam Styron (Cape, £5.95) in a

moment, but it seems necess-

ary to clarify at the outset that

the emotional sources of the Great American Jewish Novel

have been quite another kind of truth-telling; namely a reve-lation of grisly absurdities within Jewish family life, which

have brought vehement indigna-tion, rather than congratulation.

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might become his wife and so placate his offended father. Of course, even if Amy Bel-

lette had been the surviving saint the narrator's family

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Anton Eberl. I cannot imagine anyone reading Abraham without having his understanding hensive sweep and its treat of music m ment of the great masters. Not and broader. of music made both deeper plot are questions. What really happened to Sophie as a weep and pray for in New Jersey, her return to life would have solved no one's problems. She was the incarnation of too many murdered Jews, and she had to stay dead.

really happened to Sorbie as a non-jewish Pole in Hitler's death camps? And why does Nathan, New York Jew that he is, at first behave so gently towards her and gradually become so hideously crue!?

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tion, rather than congratulation, if from the communities so observed. Roth has become something of a symbol of such exposure, and the Ghost Writer (Cape, £4.95) is an elegant series of interlocking jokes about the writer's need for validation, the shabbiness of the voyeur and his own guilty knowledge that showing up to concerns of all that to validation, the shabbiness of the young Styron remained "isolate and mysterious" in breathless admiration, to offer homage to an aging Russian-Jewish writer E. I. Lonoff; and finds himself searching out the relationship between the writer and a beantiful young girl from Europe who is attached to the household. For part of the book it is Roth's faminasy that she is Anne clever device which allows him Frank unable to reveal her sorvival, and further, that she soobbery at the same time. pazanoid, uncomfortable, marvellously funny novel, in which the White House becomes The Castle, with the same bewildering alternations of opportunity and delay, and a President whose bodily substance is seriously open to question. The casual, antisemitic family-business skulduggery of (say) Gore Vidal's Washington DC has become a vision of corporate lunary All three central less. lunacy. All three central Jew-ish figures have got where they want in the literary world and all of them feel failures. What sends Gold in particular off to Washington in pursuit of the fleshpots is the goading

contempt of his tailor father. The ultimate Catch 22 is that he can never throw off the old monster. It is a cold, hard, brilliant piece of American madness, and only wears the vitality of the Jewish idiom as a disguise.

The Coup (André Deutsch, £4.95) is a dazzling departure for Updike which I welcome with all the more delight since I particularly disliked Couples. Colonel Hakim Ellelou is a revolutionary of the newest persuasion: an uneasy mix of Islam and Marxism. Filled with hatred for America (where he received a university education and the favours of a white girl who becomes the most fanatically Muslim of his wives) Ellelou determines to reject all United States aid. He does this even when it comes to him innocently in the form of breakfast cereals and form of breaktast cereals and Carnation Milk, and even while his people to the north are starving, not to say blaming him personally for the failure of the rains. In the process of destroying an infamous heap of these goodies he incinerates an earnest young American.
Nothing is more vulnerable
than arbitrary power. In Kush,
rebellion can be roused by a skull attering prophecies, even though visitors are invited to attend its utterances, on pla-cards in Russian and French as well as Arabic. There is the same deep uncertainty about the powers at work in the whole country, as there is about the machinery inside the controversial missile sites. What works? And what can be trusted? The novel has recently acquired unpleasant contemporary relevance to the geopolitical situation of the United States and the limitations of its power.

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the source that the treasury subprovides: "(Mary McCarthy's povel, Can-nibals and Christians (Weiden-tell & Nicolson, £4.95), is an extremely clever book, but she is only an accurate observer in areas where she is at home. This certainly includes the behaviour of liberal clerics who are concerned about Cambodia and East Harlem and likely to serve on committees inspecting pre-Khomeimi Iran, She is likewise excellent on principals of famous women's colleges. But on the politics of the Middle Rast McCarthy seems confused. Moreover, however often hijacks end up with ever often hijacks end up with rapport between hostage and gummen, terrorists do inspire terror and there is very little of that in the book. Perhaps this is because the ordinary reader does not care so much about disembodied Vermeers as Mary McCarthy, whereas as Mary McCarthy, whereas aryone can imagine damage to their own body; and airhough the book ends violently, the confused motives of those who have set the action in train are

Law Report December 5 1979

Error of judgment is not negligence

An error of plagment by medi-cal practitioners is not the same thing as negligence, the Court of Appeal said when it found an obstetrician not liable for the brain damage suffered by a baby he had delivered—now a helpless boy of 16.

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The court, by a majority, allowed an appeal by the first defendant, Mr Joseph Jordan, a consultant obstetrician, from an award of £100,000 damages made against him by Mr Justice Bush, at Birmingham in December, 1978, in a negligence action brought against Mr Jordan and the West Midlands Regional Health Authority by the plaintiff, Stuart Charles Whitehouse, an infant stung by his mother and next friend, Mrs Eileen Whitehouse, of Rowney Green Lane, Alvechurch, Worcestershire.

Mr Bernard Hargrove, seeking

Rowney Green Lane, Alvechurch, Worcestershire.

Mr Bernard Hargrore, seeking an order for the Legal Aid Fund to pay Mr Jordan's costs of the appeal, said that the costs of the appeal, said that the costs of the asse so far might be more than filo,000. Most of the costs would be borne by the Legal Aid Fund and the Medical Defence Union.

The Master of the Rolls, when refusing leave to appeal to the House of Lords, said that there had already been grave expense on the community as a whole. Although the case was of great interest to the medical profession, it was essentially an issue of fact. The community should not be involved in the further expense of an appeal to the House of Lords in a case in which his Lordship believed one appeal was enough. Mr Ian Kennedy, QC, and Mr Bernard Hargrove for Mr Jordan; Mr Michael Wright, QC, and Mr Desmond Perrett for the child; Mr Ian Morris for the health authority.

authority.

THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the delivery of the infant plaintiff was expected to be troublesome. A very good team was gathered for it, and the baby was delivered by a very able and promising senior registrar. Mr Jordan None of the team noticed anything untoward and their cridence was that Mr Jordan skilfully carried out a "trial by labour" to see if the baby could be safely delivered by forceps. As a result of the trial it appeared that it would not be safe, so Mr Jordan switched over to a Caesarean section and that was performed most skilfully.

Yet the baby was born with severe brain damage, diagnosed as cerebral palsy and mental deficiency. He was now nearly 10 but was no better than a baby of mine months. He was a helpless cripple in need of constant care and attention all his life.

It had taken the paediatricians 35 minutes before the baby had breathed spontaneously. Seeing his present condition, most would say: "What a pity they did not let him die."

The mother walted night and day for the boy. The saddest part of it all was that she blamed it THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS

haemorrhage.

The case had been considered by some of the most eminent men in the country, and the great preponderance of opinion was that neither hir lordan nor the hospital was guilty of any negligence. However, a joint report by two professors was the justification for the continuance of the action to trial.

that report suffered, in the first place, from the way it was pre-pared. It was the result of long conferences between the two prolessors and counsel and was actually "seried" by Counsel. In short, it were the colour of special pleading rather than an impartial pleading rather than an impartial report. There was also evidence of serious mistakes in the report itself, and it could not stand up against the reports of the other distinguished men in the case. The court had been reminded of the causion to be observed before interfering with the findings of fact by a trial judge. But the present case was different, as the medical notes, made at the time, had been accepted as accurate and the evidence of all present had been accepted as truthful and accurate except for that of the mother. None of that evidence disclosed any negligence by Mr Jordan.

His Lordship felt that the points on which the judge found against Mr Jordan were quite insufficient to convict him of negligence, and his Lordship would reverse the judge's finding that he "culled too hard and too long". The damage to the baby was one of those unfortunate things which happened in the best of hospitals, despite all care.

The judge had spoken of "the very high standard of professional competence that the law requires". That suggested that the law made no allowance for errors of judgment. That would be a mistake, else there would be a danger, in all cases of professional men, of their being made liable whenever something

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Whitehouse v Jordan and Another

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The charge against Mr Jordan being the Rolls, Lord Justice Lawton and Lord Justice Donaldson.

An error of judgment by medical practitioners is not the same thing as negligence, the Court of Another and Lord Justice Rolls, Lord Justice Lawton and Lord Justice Lawton. The who caused the baby's cerebral haemorrhage.

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LORD JUSTICE LAWTON. CODcurring in allowing the appeal, said that allegations of negligence against medical practitioners said that allegations of negligence against medical practidiners should be considered as serious, if courts made findings of negligence on filmsy evidence or regarded failure to produce an expected result as strong evidence of negligence, doctors were likely to protect themselves by defensive medicine: that was adopting sive medicine; that was adopting procedures which were not for the benefit of the patient. The most that had been proved

The most that had been proved against Air Jordan was that when he asked himself whether he should go on using forceps or proceed at once to Caeserian section he gave himself an answer which subsequent events showed had been wrong. It was based on his clinical judgment. Neither he nor any other doctor could always be right. Being wrong was not the same as being negligent. In his Lordship's judgment, negligence had not been proved against Mr Jordan.

His Lordship had come to that conclusion with sorrow, knowing what anguish the parents had suffered and the grave disabilities

what anguish the parents had suf-fered and the grave disabilities which the child would have to bear until death. As long as liability in the present type of case rested on proof of fault judges would have to go on mak-ing decisions they would prefer not to make. The victims of medical mishaps of the present kind should

LORD JUSTICE DONALDSON. dissenting, said that it a doctor failed to exercise the skill which he had or claimed to have, he was in breach of his duty of care. He in breach of his duty of care. He was negligent, But if he exercised that skill to the full, but nevertheless took what, with hindsight could be shown to be the wrong course, he was not negligent and was liable to no one, much though he might regret having done so. Both were errors of clinical judgment.

The judge had asked himself whether there had been any failure by the lordan to exercise the

whether there had been any failure by Mr Jordan to exercise the standard of skill expected from the ordinary competent specialist having regard to the experience and expertise which that specialist held himself out as possessing. That was not only the correct question, it was the only relevant question.

His Lordship was not satisfied that the judge's answer on the

that the judge's answer on the evidence was wrong and would dismiss the appeal.

There were very few professional men who would assert that they had never fallen below the high standards rightly expected of them. What distinguished Mr Jordan from his professional colleagues was not that on me isolated occasion his acknowledged skill partially deserted him, but that damage resulted from a negligent act was almost always a matter of chance and it ill became anyone to adopt an attitude of superiority. Solicitors: Hempsons: Roper &

When solicitors lose lien on documents

Gamles Chemical Co (UK) Ltd v Rochem Ltd and Others

Before Lord Justice Goff and Lord Justice Templeman

[Judgment delivered December 4]

A solicitor who discharges himself in the course of an action lose his possessory lien over his client's documents for unpaid fees.

The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by Amhurst, Brown, Martin & Nicholson, solicitors, from an order made by Mr Justice Oliver on July 24, 1979, on a motion by the first three defendants rooms plants. Rochem Ltd, Rochem International Ltd and Rochem (Equipment) Ltd, that Amhurst, Brown should, as soon as might be reasonably practicable and in any event forthwith on the receipt by them of written authorities from and all other documents in their custody or power relating to the action or belonging to the defendants.

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Douglas Goldberg & Co gave an undertaking (1) to hold all papers and documents delivered to them subject to the lien of Amhurst. Brown; (2) to afford Amhurst, Brown and their costs draftsmen reasonable access to the papers and documents for the purpose of preparing their bill of costs; (3) to defend the action in an active manner; and (4) to re-deliver the papers and documents to Amhurst, Brown after the conclusion of the action.

action.

Mr Antonio Bueno and Miss
E. A. Gumbel for Amhurst,
Brown; Mr James Munby for the
defendants.

Gamlen Chemical Co (UK) Ltd, the plaintiff in the action, was Gamien Chemicai Co (UK) Ltd., the plaintiff in the action, was an associated company of a large American organization, and it sued English companies and a number of individuals alleging, inter alia, breaches of confidential information, conspiracy and passing off. Amburst, Brown acted as solicitors for all the defendants, and it was a term of their retainer that they would be paid from time to time.

By February, 1979, one of the partners in Amburst, Brown, Mr Adrian Bernard Churchward, had been joined by the plantiff as a personal defendant. Amburst, Brown were advised that that created very considerable difficulties for them in conducting the defence and that they would have to withdraw at some stage and case to act for any of the defendants.

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By a letter of February 2,
Ammerst, Brown informed the
first three defendants of the dif-

letter certain sters they had taken in relation to the action and stated again that they were not prepared to continue acting in the case if their costs were not

case if their costs were not secured.

Meantime the defendants consulted other solicitors, and on July 9 they gave notice of change and their present solicitors became the solicitors on record.

The question was whether Amhurst Brown had a lien which they were entitled to exert and whether they could keep documents out of the possession of the defendants' present solicitors; or whether they were bound to hand over the documents on an under-

preserved.

Mr Justice Oliver based in judgment of old authority Robin v Goldingham (1872) LR 13 and 440). He stated that the principles were fairly clear: If a client discharged a solicitor the court had no right to call for the documents to be handed over: but if the solicitor discharged himself in the course of an action.

himself in the course of an action, then the order sought in the motion followed as a matter of course.

His Lordship agreed with Mr Justice Oliver's view that Robins r Goldinglum was indistinguishable from the present case and the inference the judge drew from the facts that Amhurst, Brown could not claim that they did not discharge themselves was also discharge themselves was also correct. The judge had reached the right conclusion. Lord Justice Templeman de-livered a concurring judgment. The appeal was dismissed with

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[Judgments delivered Nov 30]

Treasury stock comprised in a settled fund held at the relevant time on discretionary trusts for the benefit of non-residents and United Kingdom charities is "excluded property" expressly exempt from the charge to capital transfer tax on a capital distribution being made by the settlement trustees.

The Court of Appeal, determin-

The Court of Appeal, determin-The Court of Appeal, determining an appeal by the trustees of two settlenents, Von Ernst & Cie SA, M yan-Paul Aeschimann and Mr Kenneth Porter, upheld the decision of Mr Justice Browne-Wilkinson ([1979] I WLR 1325) refusing the declaration songht by the trustees. but allowed to the trustees, but allowed the appeal on a ground that had not before been argued.

before been argued.

Their Lordships held that the stock was "excluded property" within the meaning of paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 7 to the Finance Act, 1975, and thus because of paragraph 11(11) of Schedule 5, exempted from the charge to tax that otherwise arose under paragraph 6(4) of Schedule 5.

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inat otherwise arose under paragraph 6(4) of Schedule 5.

By a settlement in 1967 made by Mrs Vivien Duffield, the daughter of the late Sir Charles Clore, trustees held property on discretionary trust for the benefit of the settlor's children and two charities. The trustees and the children were domiciled and resident outside the United Kingdom. In 1976 the trustees purchased 44,205,875 exempt gilt-edged Treasury - stock. Exercising a power to advance, the trustees directed that the stock be held on the trusts of a new settlement created by the settlor for such of her two children as the trustees might appoint and, subject thereto, on discretionary trusts for those children for a trust period. The next day the trustees appointed the funds of the 1976 settlement on trust to be divided into two equal parts and the income paid to each child with remainders over.

The trustees received notices of determination of hisbidity to capital transfer tax of £2,900,993 consequent on the 1976 appointment. Their appeal by way of origina-ning summons direct to the High Court seeking a declaration that to the extent that the funds con-sisted of Treasury stock no tax was payable because the trans-action was exempted under the

Mr C. N. Beattle, QC, and Mr Robert Walker for the trustees: Mr D. J. Nichols, QC, and Mr Peter Gibson for the Crown.

LORD JUSTICE BRIDGE, deli-vering a reserved judgment, sald that before the 1976 appointment the Tressury stock was held by the trustees on discretionary trusts and was thus comprised in a settlement in which no interest in possession existed. By the appointment the two non-resident children became entitled to interests in possession in that stock. Did capi-tal transfer tax thereby become chargeable under paragraph 6 of Schedule 5?

Schedule 5:
Paragraph 11(11) of Schedule 5
provided that the tax chargeable
on capital distributions relating to
settled property under paragraph
6 referred only to property that
was not "excluded property".
Three distinct points were canvassed. (1) Was the transaction exempt from tax by virtue of paragraph 3(1)(b) of Schedule 7? (2)
Was the transaction exempt from tax independently of the provislous of the Finance Act, 1975, by

slons of the Finance Act, 1975, by the operation of section 22(1) of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1931; (3) Was the transaction exempt by cirtue of paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 7? Points (2) and (3) were raised by the trustees for the first time before their Lord-ships. ships.

Point (1) depended on the true construction of paragraph 6. His Lordship found himself in full agreement with the judge's reasoning for refusing to grant the trustees' declaration on that

ground.

As to point (2). It was clear that whether a particular transaction was exempt from the tax depended on the true construction of the specific provisions in the 1975 Act. If such provisions provided exemption, well and good. If they did not, the taxing provision in the Act came into force, and the provisions of the 1931 Act could not exemption.

Before the judge the trustees' case was based on the assumption that paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 7 did not afford them exemption. That assumption was now challenged. They contended that even if it was recessive in applying lenged. They contended that even if it was necessary in applying paragraphs 6(2) and 1!(11) of Schedule 5 to consider whether the stock was "excluded property" when still subject to a discretionary trust, a conclusion could be reached in favour of the exemption claimed by applying paragraph 3(2).

Immediately before the appointment the stock was subject to discretionary trusts of which the only individual beneficiaries were non-resident. On a failure of those trusts the stock would have been held on constructive discretionary trusts for two United Kingdom



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The writing on the school wall

History does sometimes repeat itself for our instruction. It is doing so just now at Highbury Grove school. This school, well-known among London comprehensives for its attachment to traditional educational values and for the skill with which its then head-master Dr Rhodes Boyson publicized them, has always been as popular with local parents as it is unpopular with the Inner London Education

Authority.
When Dr Boyson went into Parliament a remarkable local action was fought by the school's governors and parents to prevent the appointment of a headmaster of a kind approved by the ILEA since this would have ranged the fundamental character

of the school.

What happened was that the governors simply refused to choose a short list of three (as they were supposed to do) from a longer ILEA list since they could not find on it three names of candidates who could he expected to continue the school as it was. There was one who might have done so, but they were pretty sure that the ILEA, which had the final say, would not have chosen him. In the end, the ILEA was forced to advertise the job nationally, and the appointment eventually went to

the appointment eventually went to the school's deputy head, Mr Lawrence Norcross, who has main-tained the standards for which the school was known. It was a remark-

Today, however, five years later, Highbury Grove is scheduled for closure by the ILEA under guise of amalgamation, and once more it is fighting to live.

Nobody disputes the need to reduce the size of school provision in Islington to match the fall in the number of secondary school children in the 1980s.

What is challenged is the ILEA's decision that the school to be obliterated is one that is overoblinerated is one that is over-subscribed (it is to be amalgamated with a school of a sharply different type and ethos) whereas under-subscribed schools of ** a rea-remain untouched in othe, words, the sort of school shat parents most want is to be destroyed, and the provision of a reasonable balance of choice between mixed and single-sex schools, and between "progressive" and "traditional" education is to be sharply aftered in a way that suits sharply aftered in a way that suits the ILEA but not local parents.

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Highbury Grove is, however, also a school which deserves to be assessed by what it offers and what it achieves. Although it never gets the target 25 per cent top ability element in its imake (in practice, its top ability band has usually been somewhere between 13 and 20 per cent) it secures a high proportion of places in higher education. What is more, it offers a range of subjects, particularly at GCE Advanced level.

which few London comprehensives now make available. Among these are Greek, Latin, ancient history, design technology and geology. And here I come to the broader point which makes the decision about Highbury Grove one of importance well beyond the school

As our education correspondent reported on Monday, a number of Oxford colleges have announced a scheme, based on lower than normal A-level requirements, for admitting a number of pupils from inner London schools to study philosophy, politics and economics. Such a scheme already exists for science candidates in Oxford.

What it amounts to is the provision of closed scholarships for a particular area. Why is it necessary? Plainly not because Oxford wishes to admit candidates who are below the level of ability that would normally be acceptable, but to do something to help those pupils of suitable ability who have been disadvantaged by the educational system.

by the educational system.

It ought to be nothing short of shocking to us all that, as Dr Ord of Lady Margaret Hall has stated, two of the science candidates who had been given conditional offers this year had no Alerel physics classes at their school and so were having at their school, and so were having to teach themselves.
Which brings me back to Highbury Grove. Out of 130 ILEA com-

prehensives, only four offer Greek and 24 Latin, (Of the 24 offering Latin, a number were recently grammar schools and are still living off their past. Some are more man likely to give the subject up.) Similarly, only 19 our of 180 ILEA comprehensives offer computer sciences, and only 25 design and technology. Bighbury Grave offers all these subjects.

Why, then, is Highbury Grove designed for the chop? The ILEA will deny it, but all their circumstantial evidence suggests that it is because its educational face doesn't fit. That is believed not only at Highbury Grove but at other schools which share its general approach.

To the headmaster of Highbury Grove, it is significent that he has never been told by the ILEA that the school is doing a good job. Nor when it has been attacked on insubstantial grounds has the school ever been defended by the spokesman of the ILEA who leap to do so when a "progressive" school is attacked for indisiciple.

In fact, it is hard not to believe that the ILEA sees the whole thing in political terms, though not, let me basten to say in political terms as understood by the ordinary Labour votors who support the school locally. When the new proposals were adopted, Mr Norcross was told blandly by a member of the ILEA

that, although he would be dis-appointed "the Tories put up a good light for you".

What we have here is the blatant politicizing of education. To the ILEA it is a partisan matter because they are determined that, although they want good academic results, this must always in the last resort be subordinated to their over-riding wish for social engineering.

In one sense all education is notice In one sense all education is politicized. You can educate a child for a free society or for life under distatorship. What you put in no a pupil is as important as what you draw out. Aristotle understood the political basis of education, and they understand it in Moscow. You can argue that the educational values of Mr. Norcross and Highbury Crove are as political as those of the ILEA. But that is not the point.

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The real question is: which are the values that parents want? The evidence is that they want something that Highbury Grove is giving, and which the ILEA dislikes, something for the lack of which Oxford has to compensate. Are not the largely working class parents of Islington saying something to the authorities when they choose this school and campaign for its survival?

Mr Mark Cartisle, the Education

Mr Mark Cartisle, the Education Secretary, should hear what they say and act on it

name thee now Nemico Eterno. And this I swear. To

my last breath I shall block you on earth, as far as I am able . . .

Mr. Shaffer works out his tremendous, his colossal, theme in language of great strength

those who go to it prepared to understand what it is about will

have an experience that far transcends even its consider-

"Whatever else shall pass away", says Salieri after hear-

ing The Marriage of Figure, "this must remain!" I heard

Figuro broadcast only a few days ago, in an indifferent per-formance recorded at this year's Salzburg Festival, in which

able value as drama.

After coal, the chase is on for fatter pay packets

If there is one simple dictum that ought to stand, framed, on every labour commentator's every labour commentator's desk, it is this: Look for Trooble Where You Least Expect It. This random theory of industrial strife is even more appropriate in the light of the miners' ballor result and the rising tide of enchusiasm for an all-out strike in the state steel

The miners have told their leaders that they do not want to take action to drive up the Coal Board's 20 per cent offer. Only in Yorkshire has there been a really convincing vote for a national strike, and even this has probably more to do with Mr Arrian Scargill's campaigning skills than any deep-seated desire to go a picketing

That the strike ballot was held at all can he put down to the ineptitude of the ruling moderates in the National Union of Mineworkers. By seizing the reins of militancy from the left minority, the centreright coalition on the execu-tive exposed themselves to the mbarrassing result they have

It was they who, much to the consternation of their president Mr Joe Gorndey, led the precipitate revolt against the Coal Board's "final" offer. And it was their militancy, never very convincing, that has been re-pudiated by the men.

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By any standards, the settlement is a good one. A fareworker will now set £101.95 a week basic, and production bonuses, will lift that figure quite close to the original £140 claim. And as a hangover from the last settlement, they will get another £2.55 a week for waiting, washing and winding time.

Protection of earnings

There, then, is Mr Shaffer's explanation of Salieri's hostility to Mozart, and indeed his explanation of Mozart himself. God's frightful betrayal of his servant ("You gave me the desire to serve you — which most men do not have — then saw to it the service was shameful in the ears of the server ...") demands an opponent of fitting stature to challenge it, and if Mozart is God's Incavination, then Salieri is Goethe's Mephisto and Job's Salan, forever doomed to be defeared. "God needed Mozart, do you see, in let Hituself into the world"; but He was not going to let Salieri deny Him that need.

Mr Shaffer works out his Furthermore, the industry will move back to its traditional anniversary date of November 1 in 1981, and there will be joint working parties on a shorter working week, protection of termings for those who through injury or disease have to leave the face for a less well paid the mad on a less well paid. job, and on early retirement for surface workers. On past form all these benefits will be

phased in.
The NCB can now get down
to the job of producing coal
at the right price for its electricity and steel consumers. The only shadow on the horizon is the threat of increased coal imports that would be resisted, as Mr Soargill warned yesterday, by strikes if necessary.

How very different it is next door at the British Steel Cor-

in language of great strength and deceptively obvious subtlery; and there is a performance, as Salieri, by Paul Scofield that alone should pack the Olivser until Count Zinzendorf's view of Figuro becomes the generally accepted one. But a playwright like Mr Shaffer is not to be judged by standards applicable to the forgettable boulevardiers of our theatre; the engel he has conjured up, and wrestled all night with, is too hig to be contained in a mere recital of the entertainment qualities of his play, and those who go to it prepared to poration, where the beleaguered recession, finds itself faced with the threat of a national strike by the largest union in the industry, the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation. The steelworkers point with some asperty at the NUM settlement.
The coal industry is losing The coal industry is sooning money, yet the miners have been offered ten times as much.

The bitter and emotive resemble the bitter and emotive resemble the bitter and emotive resemble the soon offer discipline upon negotiators ponse to BSC's 2 per cent offer has to be seen in that context. Like the miners in the sixties, they were told that only closures and low wage settlements and low wage settlements would rescue the industry. And, like the miners, they are re-belling against that philosophy.

There seems to be no end to the closures: Clyde Iron, Irlam, Hartlepool, East Moors, Ebbw Vale, Shelton, Bilston, Glengarnock and others have gone, taking 40,000 jobs. Shotton and Corby will be cut back "quite fast". And the corporation has come back for many thousands more at Lianwern, Port Tabbot

"It reads like the battle honours of the industry," says ISTC general secretary Mr Bill Sirs. Scarcely a plant is not touched by the BSC's appetite for job cuts—and every plant is subject to the 2 per cent offer. This is the reality of the Government's "range of settle-

ments " theory. Elsewhere in the public sector, local govern-ment workers have been offered, 13 per cent, and seem likely to accept that figere. The hospital ancillary workers may be expected to follow suit, though the water workers are likely to stick out for more. They are asking for 50 per cent, and are workers (whose industrials and are workers (whose industrials are seen as workers (whose industrials are seen as workers (whose industrials are workers are workers are workers are workers are workers are workers are also workers. and gas workers (whose indus-try's profits are set to rice dramatically through a change in pricing policy) have also put in a stiff claim. The ambulancemen did well out of the Clegg Report, and the Government has apparently decided to keep the Comparabilities Commission alive to Cope with any trouble in this field.

The really big money

It is in the private sector that the really big money is being paid out, sometimes buby no means always unde union pressure. Ford settler amicebly enough at 211 pe cent, and British Oxygen are an overtime ban got under wa at 30 per cent over 20 month. The merchant seamen got 2 per cent without a fight. The CBI had this to say abou

the winter round at vesterday NEDC meeting: "The pa negotiations so far this yehave not been encouraging. Pa-claims, as in previous years, as completely unrealistic. Son are in excess of 65 per cen most are in the 20-30 per ce range plus reduction in hou and other benefits. Rece settlements suggest at best

growth." All parties to the NEDC unions, employers and gover ment—have a common inter-and responsibility to impro and responsibility to improthe economic position, the C
argued, adding: "This partilarly means achieving respoible and realistic pay set:
ments and as rapid a
sustained improvements
general efficiency and prod-

tivity as possible." The TUC has shown in enthusiasm for such an effe Mr Len Murray, the genc secretary of the TUC, admir on the radio a few days ago t settlements of 17 and 18 cent were too high, but general council is not inclito do anyming about it. I would be if Mr Callaghan still in office.

As always, it comes down a political problem. To degree, the unions are fighting an election that t party lost eight months Their effort is being put - the TUC's Campaign for Ec mic and Social Advance, opposing government pol arguing for a different ec mic policy as they were d

The outlook for an "e. mic forum? which would down guidelines for pay year is therefore not good. Government has wisely dro the idea for the time t sensing that it would not at trade union support. If Prior has his way, they come back to it but by th may be too late. The on in extrest and the u threats of redundancies la

> Paul Routk Labour 1

Bernard Levin

Clearing up the eternal mystery of Mozart

Who was Mozart? I do not mean who in the sense of who was Shakespeare; this is not coing to be a demonstration that his music was written by Bacon, let alone Count Zinzen-dorf, who wrote in his diary, after the first performance of The Marriage of Figure: "The opera bored me". Perhaps I ought to put the question differtly: what was Mozart?

I have raised this question in print before, on more than one occasion. Mozart, again and again, wrote masterpieces in fair copy straight out of his head: no sketchbooks, no notes, no drafts, no erasures—out it came and down it went.

That is the first clue: there is no evidence of any musical gestation, even of the briefest, in a huge proportion of his work, including some of the greatest. I have said that Mozart was a conduit, through which music poured into the world's lap. But that inevitably raises the question: who or what was putting it in at the other end? In a sense, of course, all artists are such channels, and their art flows along the arteduct of their life and personality, sometimes (as in the case of Beethoven) with unremitting pain and labour, sometimes (as with schubert) with apparently cffortless ease. In Mozart's case, however, the art didn't even touch the sides; he seemed almost to produce it uncon-sciously. Who was he?

It is to this question that Mr himself in his new play, Amadeus, which is to be seen at the National Theatre, and has been widely and grossly under-valued. Mr Shaffer's answer can be deduced from his title, at least by those who know what Mozart's middle name means; but it is in his facing of the implications, and the dramatic working-out of the fascination and value of his

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sinister explanation of Mozart's early death: that he was deliberately poisoned by Salieri, deliberately poisoned by Safter, the court composer in Vienna, to whom there came the worldly and material prosperity that eluded Mozart, but whose music is now unterly forgotten. From the delirium of his last fever, Mozart himself made the accusation, and ever since it has floated just out of reality's him to his grave. reach though there is nothing

in it, and never was. in which Mr Shaffer makes the theory one of the central strands in his story; while never allowing credibility to it, he shows us how it arose, and indeed suggests that Salieri wanted Mozart dead and did nothing to help keep him slive. It is well known that rumour nothing to help keep him alive has suggested over the years a when his penury was bastening



Paul Scofield as Salieri, Felicity Kendal as Constanze Weber and Simon Callow as Mozart in Peter Shaffer's Amadeus

... a tremendous, colossal theme in language of great strength ...

But why would Salieri wish Mozart dead? He was no threat One of the many things to the to the favourite's position or in-

> It is at this point that Mr Shaffer makes his great imaginative leap. For Salieri divines (a particularly apt word in the circumstances) that it is not Mozart who is his enemy; the play is a duel not between the two composers. but between the lesser composer but between the lesser composer and the power that he sees as animating his rival. Mr Shaffer, in short, has allowed Salieri ro answer the question: what was Mozart? Mozart, he says firmly, was a musical instrument, played by the hand of God. To emphasize the point, the author makes Mozart a vessel that, in one sense, is conspicu-

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which has a vested interest in remedying the situation, but if the actual estimate is open to

debate, it is no secret that many theatres and orchestras regularly play to half full houses. It could be described

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very well for such bodies as Scottish Opera and the Birm-

ingham Repertory Theatre. The English National Opera signed

up Newman earlier this week.

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ously unworthy to serve as the Grail of art. Mozart as a man had a silly and childish side, and he also had a pronounced come, and it is stretching jealousy too far to suggest that taste for billiards, word-play the thought of an artistic rival in his vicinity was so unbearable that he wanted Mozart which we see in the play, and which has scandalized those who can only see Mozart to be beguiful and raspetully and scandalized those who can only see Mozart as the beautiful and tastefully dressed prodigy of the Carmontelle portrait, a picture which has probably done more harm to a true understanding of Mozart than anything Salieri could have done if a Wicked Fairy had granted him three wishes and he had used them all to spite his rival.

Hear first how Salieri Hear first how stumbles upon the truth, during a performance of the Wind Serenade in B flat, K 361. Almost struck dead by the pain of the revelation, he flees:

... the pain cut deeper into my shaking head until sud-

Other organizations working

Can it be Yours?" nao aiso nearo—and it was
the voice of an obscene
child ... at night I prayed
for just one thing: "Let your
voice enter me! Let me conduct you! Let me!"

His prayer denied, Salieri takes up arms against his

MOZART ... Him you have chasen to be your sole conduct. And my only reward-my sublime privilege—is to be the sole man slive in this time who shall really

denly I was running, dashing through the side-door, stumbling downstairs into the street, into the cold night, gasping for life. "What? What is this? Tell me, Signore! What is this pain? What is this need in the sound? . . . Is it Your need? Dimly the stars shone on the empty street. I was suddenly frightened. It seemed to me I had heard a voice of God-and that it came from a creature whose own voice I had also heard-and it was

I have worked and worked the talent you allowed me . . Solely that in the end . . I might hear Your Voice. And now I do hear it — it

even Kiri's Countess lacked its full glory, and the Vienna Philharmonic seemed to be playing with boots on their hands: But it didn't matter; whatever else has passed away, this remains, and lovers of Mozart — true lovers, who do know what his middle name means — should be profoundly grateful to Peter Shaffer for the courage with which he has faced an eternal mystery, and the humility and grace with which he has offered a tentatively eternal solution to it. recognise your incarnation ... So be it! From this time & Times Newspapers Ltd, 1979 and Scumhorpe, ARTS DIARY



They are examining ticket selling ideas, aided by another as a scandal; it is usually accepted as a fact of life. However, there are signs of concerted efforts to turn those vacant seats into the Loney which the arts so desperately need. The new consultant, Hugh Southern, who helped develop the half-price ticket scheme on Broadway. One innovation here, the Student Standby scheme, has proved so successful that it may be extended to all young people. Nevertheless

feeling arts organizations may in one way be their own worst enemies, because of their complaints about having to charge too much for seats. If you keep telling people it is too expen-sive to go to the theatre, eventually they will believe you -and stop going.

Sandy Wilson, who wrote those successful musicals of the 1950s, The Boy Friend and Valmouth, has provided a new musical for the Loric Theatre, Hammersmith, this Christmas: it is a



Schoolboys in

Russian battle When Robert Peel, head of the wind department at Marl-borough College in Wilshire, sought permission to arrange Khachaturian's Gayaneh music for the school's symphonic wind band, he did not receive the expected reply.

Instead there arrived from Tecley's Voluntaries will also

time-honoured subject for the Moscow an autographed score, season, Aladdin.

Seut by Khachaturian himself Giselle, last presented by the Royal Opera House, have been

shortly before his death. The Royal a decade ago, returns in issuing dire warnings the music turned out to be a suite for large wind orchestre. The Battle of Stalingrad—a rework-ing of his store for the film of

that title. Mr Peel diligently copied out

Mr Peel diligently copied out the parts from the full score and next Tuesday the 65 boys in the Brusser wind band will be giving the Brusser wind bave a little help: The Battle of Statingrad is such a big work that a dozen members of the local Kennet Vale Brass Band have temporarily joined their ranks. "It will be a very loud poise," said Mr Peel. So far as he could ascertain, it would be the first performance of the work in the West. "I wonder if Khachaturian might have sent it out because there was no chance of it being there was no chance of it being performed again in Russia. After all, Stalinguad no longer exists—it is now Volgagrad."

Golden oldies at the ballet

Complaints that the Royal Complaints that the Royal Ballet has too small a repertuiree ought to be answered soon by the company's plans for its 50th anniversary season, in 1980-81.

Since it takes time to introduce a series of ballets, several revivals are taking place during the current season, so the works will be ready for display next season. Massine's Mam'relle Angor will be revived near February and Sir Chats Moser are six for land.

biggest undertaking among the revivals will not take place until 1981: it is Ashton's place until 1981: it is Ashton's three act ballet Ondine, with a commissioned score by Hans Werner Henze. Originally created for Margot Fonteyn in 1958, it has not been seen at Covent Garden since the 1965-67 season.

Several new ballets are also scheduled for the amiversary season, and the most important is likely to be a new full

season, and the most important is likely to be a new full length work by Kenneth Macmilian. He has not yet ennounced his plans, but it is possible that the ballet will be based on the lafe of Isadora Duncan—a far cry from the works. Mayering. work, Mayerling.

There is a worryingly commercial air about the National Film Theatre's man presentation in January, the James Bond films (of which there have been 11, so far). Perhaps they felt the need for some box office attractions. tions, because two other seasons next month are devoted to The Family in Japanese Cinema and

subject of cuts in the arts.
Sir Claus Moser and Sir John Sir Chair Moser and Sir John Tooley, the chairman and the the general administrator of the

ent Garden will be endan by a cut in its grant, an Sunday, on the BSC Sunday, on the BBC
Three programme Who Po
Artist?, the arts ministe
Norman St John-Stevas, so
as if he had had enough.
He referred to what the
said "in an extraordina
aggerated way" about aggerated way about future. It was simply ganda, he suggested. "Of course, they de every year: they alway they are about to be down, and they are not down. The Royal Shake Company does the core Company does the same say they are short of and open another audit So I think the public have been inocusated abo and I wish they wo a bit more realistic and into these panic statemer He hoped the amount year's grant to the arts be announced early in the Year. "Perhaps even it be an acceptable Christit sent if we can get the acceptable if it is quite

Britain will have an opp next May to sample to fruits of Carlo Maria (collaboration with the Angeles Philharmonic tra: he starts his first tour with the orchestra chester and London, cor Beethoven's Eroica a beethinent's Erroica a Adagio from Mahler's and also ends the tour don, with Mozart's 4 Tchaikovsky's Pathetiqu Martin Huc

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at the Lancaster House con about their intentions. ference is a triumphant vindication of the strategy pursued by Lord Carr'uguon in dealing with the Rhodesia problem since he took office. Unlike his predecessor he has been able to get concessions from the Salisbury government by giving them something to hope for, and from the Patriotic Front by giving them something to fear. He was prepared to take the risk of involving Britain in a "second class" settlement, ie, one to which the Patriotic Front would not be a party, in order to give himself the leverage with which to bring about a "first-class" settlement, ie, one involving a ceasefire and the cooperation of all parties. On several occasions in the past three months the Patriotic Front have seemed ready to call his bluff. But in the end they have not done so, presumably because they knew he was not bluffing.

Yet the agreement is certainly not a defeat or a humiliation for them. Their auxieties about the successive stages of Britain's proposals were at least in part justified, and the clarifications they have obtained are on the whole improvements. It must be assumed also that the time they have gained was time they needed, and that they have used is to prepare their somewhat his country if he will go all out disorganized forces for a new kind of political action. They This is certainly not the time to

It can hardly be denied that the have played their hand with skill, agreement announced last night maintaining doubt to the last

The detailed implementation of the ceasefire agreement still has to be worked out with the military commanders on both sides; but now that political agreement is there there seems no reason why this should take more than a few days. Very shortly, therefore, a British governor should be on his way out to Salisbury. The task he faces there is one of formidable difficulty, perhaps comparable only to that of Lord Mountbatten as Viceroy of India in the last days of the Raj, when he had to guide India to independence in the midst of heavy fighting between the communities. In one way at least, the present task will be even more formidable. Lord Mountbatten could rely on the unhesitating loyalty of a highly trained civil service. But the new governor of Zimbabwe Rhodesia will have to take over the administrative apparatus of a state which for fourteen years has been in rebellion against the Crown and inspired by hatred and contempt for the British government. The cooperation of this still essentially white-run state is indispensable, and will not be easy to obtain. The only hope of getting it lies in the active support of Mr Ian Smith. He has the opportunity to perform a last, redeeming service to to make the settlement work.

indulge in any recrimination against him or gloating.

The governor's most important task will be to ensure the disengagement of the two sides on the ground-not along a difinable front or in a particular theatre but almost throughout the country. The way has to be cleared for ZANU and ZAPU to campaign openly and peacefully -though it would be utopian to suppose that all intimidation on either side could be eliminated. It is unhappily true that the con-ference has done nothing to soften the bitter hostility between the rival African parties. There are bound to be local breaches of the ceasefire here and there, and a big part of the governor's task will be to contain these and prevent them from escalating, though he will have no real coercive force at his disposal. He may well be glad of the assistance of officers with experience of United Nations peacekeeping operations, in Lebanon or elsewhere.

To have any chance of success he will need the full cooperation of all parties to the agreement. Bishop Muzorewa is perhaps the one who has sacrificed most, and he will still have a very important contribution to make in calming his followers and keeping the peace. The frontline Presidents too, to whom much credit for the conference's success is due, will have to continue to exercise a moderating influence behind the scenes. But the governor himself will have to exhibit quite extraordinary personal qualitics.

Yours faithfully, ROBERT MACLENNAN, House of Commons. December 3.

hardly be of his own choosing.

MR LYNCH STEPS DOWN

Mr Lynch's hurried resignation is ominous for Anglo-Irish relations. He was expected to go in the new year when Ireland's presidency of the EEC will be over, but pressure within the Fianna Fail party has forced his hand. Some of the sharpest criticism of the past few weeks has been levelled at his alleged want of republicanism: in particular that he is backward in pressing Irish unity as the only form of settlement of the Ulster question, and that he was too ready to oblige the British Government in the area of antiterrorist cooperation after the Mountbatten murder.

Ever since the eruption of Northern Ireland in 1969 Mr Lynch, in power for six of the check. The studied ambiguities. of the formulae he devised for that purpose may have infuriated unionists in Ulster and aroused suspicions in English minds, but there is no mistaking the effect of his moderation on policy. He goes with that aspect of his leadership under challenge by a section of his supporters.

Earlier his prestige, supremacy as a vote-winner, and tactical subtlety would have seen him through. But these assers have been melting. It has become in-creasingly obvious that he would not lead his party in the next general election, due in 1982 at lacest, and since he had declared a belief that a new party leader should have two years in the job before having to face the electorate, his departure was not to

be long delayed. That diminished to go at a time which could his authority. Then last month Fianna Fail suffered two humiliating by-election defeats in Cork, city and county, Mr Lynch's home ground. His personal popularity with the electorate could begin to be questioned.

This year Ireland's economic miracle, which had made it statistically at any rate the envy of the western world, suddenly looks much less convincing. The balance of payments deficit is reaching dangerous proportions, foreign reserves are running down, the public are feeling the effects of a fierce credit squeeze, and Irish trade unions' genius for striking in ways best calculated to injure and infuriate the public has been continuously ten years, has kept the bel- on display. The Brussels fed in-ligerent tendency of his party in flation of farmers' incomes is on display. The Brussels-fed insubsiding after several halcyon years, and the Government's rather clumsy attempt to assuage resentment at farmers' near exemption from income tax has, of course, lost it the farmers without winning it any special

favour with other tax pavers. On top of all that, Mr Lynch's personal mishandling of the situation created by the murder of Lord Mountbatten and his bungled disclosure of a limited overflying agreement with Britain along the border with Northern Ireland bave betrayed a loss of touch on his part. All in all the Fianna Fail government, now standing midway in its term, needs new direction and a new impetus. It is that, more than any particular line of criticism, which has constrained Mr Lyuch

Jockeying for the succession has already started. When Sean Lemass gave up the leadership of Fianna Fail in 1966 the Young Turks of the party, Mr Charles Haughey and Mr George Colley, fought each other to a standstill and the prize was taken by a genial and diffident barrister, Mr Jack Lynch. The same two now Older Turks are again in the ring; and the choice between them is sharper now by reason of the light shed on Mr Haughey's sympathies by the events of 1970. Mr Haughey, then minister for finance, was dismissed by Mr Lynch, accused of conspiring with others to import illegally arms and ammunition destined for Northern Ireland, stood trial, advanced the defence that the gun-running was a legitimate army intelligence operation, and was acquitted by a jury. It cannot be thought to make

no difference to the course of events concerning Ulster whom Fianna Fail chooses to lead them. But not perhaps as much difference as the personal inclinations of the candidates might suggest. There are certain facts which no Irish government can gainsay and which limit the scope for policy reversal. One is that the Republic has neither the will nor the means to coerce the unionists of Ulster into Irish unity. Another is that the IRA poses at one remove as great a threat to constitutional authority in Dublin as it does directly to constitutional authority Belfast.

A LOSS TO ARGENTINA

The decision of Mr Robert Cox, the editor of the Buenos Aires Herald, to leave Argentina for a year is a measure of the failure of the military regime to restore normality. After three and a half years of military rule violence and threats of violence are still part of Argentine life, both on the part of the government's supporters and its opponents. In Mr Cox's case the last straw was a death threat contained in a letter addressed to his ten yearold son and purporting to come from the Montoneros terrorist

group. It is possible that it did come from them though in Argentina today nothing of this sort can be taken at face value. What is certain is that Mr Cox has often been under pressure from the authorities over his determination to print the news and advocate justice and decency in

Prayer Book language

None of your correspondents, how-

ever, has yet referred to a factor

in the most recent liturgical reform agreed by the General Synod,

which is potentially the most damaging to the traditional lander-

tanding of the Church of England.

I refer to the new Order for Holy Communion which will shortly re-place Series 3, which received final approval at the recent Group of

In the past from the Prayer Book of 1549 (arguably the best revision of all !) through to Series

3, we have been able to enjoy common prayer acceptable to and used by members of all traditions

our comprehensive Church. As Catholic within the Anglican

tions of the Synod.

From Conon George Austin

public life; and that of the numerous threats he has received during his ten years as editor of the Herald, many have come from rightist groups more or less closely linked to the present

The Herald is a small paper which caters primarily for the British and Anglo-Argentine community in Buenos Aires. But under Mr Cox's editorship it has made a name for itself for the courage with which it has reported the murders, kidnappings and arbitrary arrests of recent years, many of them carried out as government policy, and for constantly urging a return to a state of law. Its starting point has always been that the government contained decent men, both civilian and military, who genuinely believed in the principles of democracy and law, and who needed backing in the

power struggles within the armed forces.

As the years have gone by and there has been so little improvement, that has become harder to believe. But the continued existence of the Herald, and the presence there of Mr Cox has been a sign that there was hope; and this was recognized by influential members of the government, who did not want him to go. The fact that he is now leaving is a blow to them. It should also be an incentive to them to act on the principles they profess, and to redouble the efforts they claim to be making to free Argentina of the international disgrace which now envelops it as a result of the excesses of recent years. By pointing out the excesses when other papers did not dare to, and by keeping up the pressure for reform, Mr Cox has deserved well of Argentina.

tradition. I was always able to use the 1662 form, albeit with certain slight additions, for the SA. Given mutual respect on both Holy Communion. My Evangelical brothers might have interpreted its sides there is surely no reason why traditional forms of words and rubrics slightly differently, but we music cannot commue alongside more modern usages. In this parish enjoyed a basic form in common, one of the great advantages we use medieval as well as modern of Series 3 in particular of all the revisions has been the manner in music in our worship, and the Parochial Church Council have commented that if I wish to use which it has minimized those differences and helped us to share the 1662 Prayer Book they will not stand in my way, although they are quite happy with Series 3. each others' treasure and insights.

With the new Order for Holy Communion this has come to an end. Not only are there four Euchsristic Prayers to cater for differing tastes but also an à la carte menu of alternatives and permissable additions or omissions as a result of which four centuries of develociment towards a common prayer have in effect been abandoned. In liturgy, we have now become a congregational sect, and that is a reversal which in the long term

is more serious and damaging than whether or not we address God as "thou" or "you".

I have to admir that the vote in the General Synod in favour of the new Order was overwhelming, and certainly the Revision Committee had worked long and hard (and expensively) under their kindly and respected Chairman, the Bishop of Derby. But I do believe that both the Committee and the Synod were taken in by a confidence trick of the more extreme Anglo-Catholics in the Synod who argued persuasively that with the new Order there was at last one which even they could use, I was told by a number that the operative word was "could" not "would" and that they would in fact continue to use the Roman Missa Normativa. Certainly the rite used at a recent meeting of the Anglo-Catholic Church Union, described as "Series Revised went for beyond the ermitted afternatives.

Of course, it is too late now for the Synod to reverse its decision were there even the will so to do. But it is important for those who are arguing the relative merits of traditional or modern language o realise that they are findling when

Tough in this case perhaps that is an unfortunere analogy! GEORGE AUSTIN. The Vicarage, 19 High Road, Bushey Heath, Wattord

Hernford shire.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Answering Vatican charges

From Projessor P. T. Geach, FBA

Sir, The indignation expressed in

vour columns (December 1) by the

0-odd signatories to a letter about

Professor Schilleheccky is something

I find hard to understand. It appears

that a body of divines in Rome have

been consider no this author's works

for three years under conditions of confidentiality, and that now, be-

fore publicly expressing a judgment

on the works, they have invited the

author to come in person and give

has to take the text as it stands without consulting the author, and

it may come in for just criticism if it is seriously misleading. In fact

the author has been invited to ex-plain himself; and that being so, talk about a violation of "junda-mental bursan rights" is prepos-

The manageries claim for Profes-

sor Schillebenekk a "freedom of interpretation" in respect of articles

of Christian faith, Obviously, mem-bers of the Congregation for Doctrine will regard themselves as

committed to preserving a deposit of faith: the signatories cannot consistently deny them the "freedom" to express a carefully considered

view as to whether Professor Schillerbeecks has given "interpre-

tations" that are consistent with

level with sociology and economics for exactitude. The latter is a way of life suh specie aeternitatis, guided

by those entrusted with the deposit of faith.

The interests of the two will differ. The one proceeding by trial and error, the other concerned that

the faithful should not be led astroy.

The one demanding freedom, the other conceding little freedom to

It is worth while realising that

most beretics have been theologians.

The safest role of faith is the sensus

fidelium, even that of the unlearned.

In the great Arian heresy the theo-logians, save for Athanasius, were

wrong and the common people were

theologians are disseminated far and

Nowadays, when the opinions of

that denosit.

Yours faithfolly,

PETER GEACH. Professor of Logic.

From Dom Benet Innes

Possible split in Labour Party

From Mr Robert Maclennon, MP for Caithness and Staherland (Lahour) Sir. Eric Heffer's article, "Con-sensus: it's been tried before" Sensits: it's been tried before"
(December 3), which discounts the
possibility of a split in the Labour
Party is ostrich-like and disturbing.
If he and his fellow members of
the Labour Party's national executive committee do not even recognize the risk of a split it is scarcely
surprising that they have done so
little to avoid it. little to avoid it.

Indeed, since the general election, by their successful efforts to narrow the base of the Party's appeal, they are increasingly dis-tancing themselves from the broad mass of those who support the Labour Party.

The risk of a split in the Labour

Party comes not from a febrile response by a small group of Labour MPs to Roy Jenkins's Dimbleby Lecture (report, November 23). Nor is party unity threatened by nossalgia for the myth of Butskellism".

The threat is an actuality because

the threat is an actuality because the majority of the elected members of the NEC are apparently determined to jettison 80 years of party history, philosophy and achievements in favour of the millcoarian views of a tiny minority of those who yets I show.

views of a tiny minority of those who vote Labour.

If, in despite of the reasoning of the party leader, the warnings of the majority of the parliamentary Labour Party and the appeals of moderate trade union leaders, the NEC persists, it will not be only a few prominent individuals like those aromad by Fric Heffer who

those named by Eric Heffer who say "enough is enough". It will be the mass of those who know that they have not defected from the ideals and the policies of the Labour Party, which have made it the radical alternative to Conservatism.

Patients and pickets

From the President of the Royal College of Surgeons

Sir, I beg to disagree with Mr Roland Movie and to support Drs Jones and Altman (December 3). If one has any criticism of the counter-demonstration at Charing Cross Hospital, it is that it did not take place sooner. But previous picketing of this kind has been handled so pusillanimously by hospital administrators, that it is understandable if staff have been a little Slow to take effective action.

Are we so besotted with state welfare that we can fail to take effective action against trades union

practices which are so often wholly immical to our national interest. Service? In days gone by, an earlier

generation of medical students would certainly have "debagged" the pickets and daubed their nether regions with brightly coloured aboratory dyes. Yours faithfully. REGINALD MURLEY.

President, The Royal College of Surgeons of 35-43 Lincoln's Inn Fields, WC2. December 3.

From Mr Martin Birnstingl Sir, Unctuous philosophizing about welfare of patients (Drs Jones and Adman, December 3), comes strangely from a hospital where not long ago both consultants and junior doctors were themselves on strike. The doctors' dispute in the winter of 1975-76 closed many hospitals to all but emergencies. There can be no doubt that those doctors prehended the consequences of their strategies" and they were even supported, with naively misplaced solidarity, by some trade unions.

If Dr Jones really wants to "make the hospital a happier place" he thould try to understand the realities of stringent cuts and rising unemployment for those at the bottom of Yours faithfully

MARTIN BIRNSTINGL. domew's Hospital, EC1. December 4.

Choosing light verse From Mr Kingsley Amis

Sir. May I correct a detail or two in Michael Ratcliffe's friendly references (November 29) to me and my compilation, The New Ox-ford Book of Light Verse? It is by thance, not design, that the poems in that volume overlap so little with those in The Oxford Book of American Light Verse edited by William Harmon. The Oxford University Press explicitly refrained from all attempt to limit my selec-tion except in point of leasth, even providing me with Mr Harmon's contents pages in plenty of time to poach on his preserves if I had wished. But I didn't wish. It was my taste and nothing but my taste that led me to choose so few poems by Americans.

As for Anon, I said only that he was not my favourite poet, not that be was my least favourite poet. From Ezra Pound downwards there are plenty of onymous poets with better claims to that had eminence. Yours faithfully, KINGSLEY AMIS,

Gardnor House. Plask Walk, NW3. November 30.

Maintaining services

From Christopher J. Whelen Sir. Your excellent "Whitehall brief series by Perer Hennessy disclosed the increasing role played by the military as part of continsency planning for industrial dis-putes. It should be made clear however, that despite its implications, military intervention is not

restricted to emergencies. Troops are usually used under the Emergency Powers Act 1964. They may be used without consulting Parliament to do "urgent work of rational importance". The Defence Council, which comprises government ministers, civil servants and

the military, defines this. It has in-cluded stoking Buckingham Palace oilers (1948), refuse collection in Tower Hamlets (1970) and in Glasgow (1975) and fire prevention in Glasgow (1973). Troops may also be used under the Emergency Powers Act 1920 if the government believe

essentials of life" least a "substantial portion of the community" has been threatened. This has occurred in local, unofficial dock strikes (1948 and 1949). Military aid to the civil power can also be sanctioned under residual legal authority.

Covernments clearly have a duty to preserve essential supplies and to safeguard the community. But they exercise a very wide discretion We may, on some occasions, take exception to the way in which this guidance is exercised, but there is no doubt which of the two, in our eyes, is more worthy of trust. Our Lord was at odds with the theoloeians of his day. Yours faithfully,

wide and not confined to academia. they should be more than careful

not to infringe the right of the faith-

ful to have reliable guidance and that, for Roman Catholics at least,

comes from the Pope and the

Bishops acting together.

author to come in person and give an oral explanation of doubtful points. To my mind it would not necessarily be a violation of natural justice for them to have delivered a considered opinion with-out inviting the author's personal explanations: a book must speak for itself, since in general a reader BENET INNES, Stratton on the Fosse, Bath. December 3.

From Mr Gerald Bonner

Sir, On Saturday last, December 1, you published a letter from a you published a letter from a number of university teachers of theology regarding the case of Pro-fessor Edward Schillebeeckx with myself as one of the signatories, Without in any way wishing to impugn the motives of others. I have since come to see my action as

have since come to see my action as an unwarranted intrusion in the internal affairs of a church with which I am not in communion, but from many of whuse members I have over many years received much kindness and sympathy.

I am also airaid that the effect of this letter, however well intentioned, may be to hinder rather than help to hring about a happy issue of the case in question. I therefore wish to withdraw my support from this letter and to express my regret for having signed it in the first place. it in the first place. Yours faithfully, GERALD BONNER.

The University of Leeds, Department of Philosophy, Department of Theology, University of Durham, Abbey House, Palace Green, Sir. Theology is not religion. The former is a speculative science on a

December 4.

From the Reverend Projessor

A. T. Hanson Sir. In your issue of December 1 you state that "all holders of academic rhairs of theology" were invited to sign the protest about the treatment of Professor Schillebeecks, which you published in the same issue. In fact no such invitation

reached me.

May I make use of your columns
to say that if I had been invited to sign the protest, I would certainly have done so. Yours faithfully,

holding differently by strips and

secondly, individual plans for each holding, again by strips. The

finished article was exactly like

patchwork quilt as every tenant had

strips of land on each of the Saxon fields more or less evenly distribu-

ted on each field according to soil

type. The great fear I had was to

make a mistake which would have

meant redoing the whole plan at

From my experience I can assure anybody who has the slightest

doubt, that Laxton is indeed a truly

Saxon farm and its loss would be

No modern landlord could possibly afford to retain it as it is and,

I would like to add my name to

SOUL of vested interest in it !

the cost of many hours work.

irreplaceable.

Yours faithfully,

Cheyney's Lodge,

Ashwell Hertfordshire.

November 29.

Latin logic

From Mr Peter W. Gofton

PETER W. GOFTON,

34 Grove Road,

Havant,

Hampshire.

Sir, If it is true that Venezuela has more oil than the Arabs, then maybe the Kensington estate agents

had better start learning Spanish. Yours faithfully,

do what we have done for centuries.

and that is to attend her Majesty's indges, look after their needs, entertain for them and be a link

between them and the public. Mr Justice Cantley, in his admirable address to the AGM, reiterated that

being a judge is a lonely job and often having the high sheriff sitting

It might be said this is all very

well for a county in which high

court judges sit, but what about those counties bereft of high court

judges? I believe there is a strong.

if slightly revolutionary, case to be

made for those counties with a sur-

feit of judges to invite neighbour-

ing high sheriffs to cross the county

boundary and take some of the work load off their shoulders.

with him can be a comfort.

C. J. K. FORDHAM,

ANTHONY HANSON, Professor of Theology, The University of Hull, Cottingham Road, December 1.

Selling off a Saxon farm

From Mr D. F. Severs Sir. Mr Thomas suggests (November 30) that readers should be heartened to know that the Ancience Township of Langharne possesses a thriving medieval system of local government which will be preserved the purchasers of the village of Laxton, Nottinghamshire, turn their backs on the court leet.

Section 23 of the Administration of Justice Act, 1977, abolished the jurisdiction of courts leet to hear and determine legal proceedings but preserved their right to continue to sit and transact such other business as was customary immediately before the Act came into force. The only courts specifically exempted are the Estray Court for the Lordstrip of Denbigh and the court leet for the Manor of Laxton which therefore retain their jurisdiction whole. The Laxton court is the only court leet to retain its jurisdiction to hear and determine legal proceedings and as such is unique. It must be preserved.

Yours faithfully, D. F. SEVERS. Northallerton, North Yorkshire. December 1.

From Mr C. J. K. Fordham Sir, Until I read the letter "Selling off a Saxon farm" in your issue of November 28, I did not know that Laxton was to be sold.

The first job which I was given

to do as a young land agent was to prepare the plans for the sale of Laxton to the Ministry of Agriculture in 1952. I had to colour, firstly, a master plan showing every

High sheriff's role

From Lord Martin Fitzalan Howard Sir, At just over halfway through my year of office as a high sheriff. ence to comment on the role of the bigh sheriff at present and in the next decade, but it is because one is so absorbed in the job and trying to get it right that it is important to state one's ideas.

I have a fear that views expressed at the AGM of The Shrievalty Association and contained in letters to you, should start trying to find new les when it is not needed. I am apprehensive that the ancient

office of high sheriff should be reconstructed as a sort of all important, high and mighty liaison officer who should go around his county doing good works, visiting hospitals, prisons, etc. No one denies these are excellent things, but it is not our primary function. No, our job is to continue to

Yours faithfully, MARTIN FITZALAN HOWARD. High Sheriff of North Yorkshire, Brockfield Hall,

> December 3. to use troops without effective legal or parliamentary controls. The implications of increasing military

intervention, its impact on the balance of industrial power, and on the relationships between the public, the police, the military and the government, and the possible use of force (such as "riding shotgun" to ensure that supplies get through picket lines), are just a few factors which point to the need for a reassessment of their future role in

society.
Yours sincerely, CHRISTOPHER WHELAN, Centre for Socio-legal Studies, Wolfson College, Oxford. November 29.

Assessing the Shah's record

From Sir Denis Wright Sir, Mr Katouzian, in vilifying the Americans as he does in his letter to you (December 3), appears to justify rather than condemn the behaviour of the Ayatollah Khomeini and his frenzied suppor-ters in their treatment of the American hostages and breach of all international convention. He also fails to give one word of credit to the Shah or the Americans—if their support was really as impor-tant as Mr Katouzian suggests—for the undeniable economic develop-ment and general improvement in living standards that followed the launching of the Shah's 1963 reform

programme.

He might also have given the Shah credit for his leadership of the 1971 OPEC negoriations in Tehran which set the ball rolling for successive increases in the original of oil-damaging indeed for us oil importing countries but the source of today's wealth and power among the oil producers.

Let us not forget that the shab's firm leadership had its good side, Yours truly. DENIS WRIGHT, Duck Bottom, Flint Street, Haddenham. Aylesbury. Buckinghamshire. December 3.

From Lieutenant-General Sir John Sir. In your front page summary of December 3, it was stated that the attack on the United States Embassy in Libya was a protest against the American refusal to extradite the Snah. I believe this view to be entirely erroneaus. Other Muslim countries do not necessarily approve

of events in Iran.

The United States has come to be regarded as the enemy of Islam owing to its constant support of the present Israeli Government, which continues to seize Arab land in the occupied areas of Palestine and in evict the Palestinians from their homes and country. The Israelis also continue to bomb harmless villages in Lebanon, where thouobliged to flee from their ruined

Many Palestine retugees have found asylum in other countries where they everywhere stir up hatred against the United States. Even President Carter has admitted the illegality of the actions of the present Israeli Government, yet he continues in supply Israel with money and with the latest lethal weapons. Yours faithfully, I. B. GLUBB.

West Wood St Dunstan, Mayfield, Sugges. December 3.

Tory protectionists From Mr Alon Clark, MP int

Plymouth, Sutton (Conservative) Sir, I was most interested to read Ronald Burr's theory (November 22) that economic policies tend to be restricted by the confines of the particular "package" in which they are delivered. I am afraid this is nearer the truth than one would like but, as we have what is probably the most intelligent Treasury Bench since the War, let us hope that, with the assistance of com-mentators like himself, these thought processes may be liberated.

therefore, it is only under the control of the Ministry of Agriculture that it can possibly hope to survive as a unique monument and However, I was a little crestfal-len to read his reference to "... a few Tory backbenchers who do those who earnestly hope a more mature consideration will be given to this matter and a decision to sell reversed. After all, I feel I have a not like to say it too loudly", as I have advocated the protectionist argument on the floor of the House Commons in every economic dehate at which I have been allowed to speak since 1977 as also in the leader pages of the Duilu Telegraph and The Guardian (although, Sir, my request for the same facility in your own columns has up till now been rejected). I also presented the case as guest speaker at the Bow Group Conference in Cambridge in April of this year.

year. Your readers may be interested to know that the old Treasury com-puter/model from which most of its calculations and projections are drawn was constructed along such Keynesian lines as to be incapable of answering some of the questions that we should like to put to it.
However, it is being modified
and colleagues of the same mind as
myself are hopeful that we will soon be in a position to repudiate many of the unthinking reflex actions which seem to be the prin-cipal substance of those who resist the protectionist argument. Yours sincerely, ALAN CLARK,

Churches and VAT

House of Commons.

From Mr A. E. L. Parnis Sir. In the absence of official figures we estimate the cost of VAT to the churches at between £7.5 million and 19 million a year, of which 70 per cent or, say, £5.5 mil-

lion is in respect of repairs.

State aid is now running at the rate of about £2.2 million a year (less £330,000 returned in VAT). but, grateful as the churches are for this help, it of course benefits only a few, ic, those of outstanding historic or architectural importance. and must be regarded as preserving a part of the national heritage rather than helping the churches as such. Yours faithfully,

A. E. L. PARNIS, Secretary. The Churches Main Committee, Fielden House. Little College Street, SWI.

Under the hedge

December 4.

December 5.

From Mr Nicholas Elliott Sir. I read today of confidential government documents being left under a hedge in Suffolk; presen-Yours faithfully. NICHOLAS ELLIOTT, 5 Paper Buildings,



COURT CIRCULAR

UCKINGHAM PALACE ecember 5: The Queen, accom-anied by The Duke of Edinburgh. is afternoon opened the new eadquarters of the Marine objety (President, the Viscount unciman of Doxford) at 202 ambeth Road, SE1.

Her Majesty and His Royal ighness were received upon rrival by Her Majesty's Lord-leutenant for Greater London the Baroness Phillips) and the layor of Lambeth (Councillor harles Muller).

The Marchioness of Aberavency, Mr William Heseltine and Lieutenam Commander, Robert iuv, RN, were in attendance.
The Duke of Edinburgh, Presiem of the Royal Society of Arts,
us morning chaired a Symposium
nd presented the Presidential

_uncheons postolic Delegate

tueco Elizabeth the Oueen Mother ras the guest of honour at a sucheon given by the Apostolic belegate at the Apostolic Delegation yesterday. The other guests scluded: icluded:

ne Dowager Viscountess Hambledon,
ne Hon Wrs Doublas Woodrulf, Groun
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ndrw Constable Maswell,
and Mrs Rock-Sheeherd, vir Dennis
arraw Mrs Reresby Sitwell and Mgr
ernard Kenney.

ady Mayoress
The Lord Mayor and the Lady
Mayoress entertained the followna Ruests at luncheon at the visansion House vesterday:
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Leburn. Wr and Wrs Ian Callin. Wi
and Mrs John Denyer. Mr and Mrs
Innur Hollis. Mr and Mrs Austin
Ingwell. Dr and Mrs Ian Smith. Mr
ad Mrs Michael Studderl and Mr and
Irs Collin Williams.

toyal Humane Society The Hon E. L. Baillieu, chairman of the Royal Humane Society, and the committee gave a uncheon at Haberdashers Hall resterday to decide on the recommendation for the award of the
'979 Stanhope Gold Medal.
Linoug those present were:
The High Commissioner for Australiathe Migh Commissioner for New Zoaman, the Minister Public Affairs
and High Commission, Marshel of
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and High Commission, Marshel of
RAB Liceutenant Colonel R Mw.
Charlton, Mr. R. T. Hawes, Dr. B.
1. B. Lucas, Commander B. E. Spicer,
Johnel B. M. B. Coats and Major

J. Dickinson reservers; esterday to decide on the recom-

Rotary Club of London it Richard Denby, president of he Law Society, was the guest of tonour at a luncheon held by the Corry Club of London at the Lafe Royal yesterday. Mr John Bird, president of the club, was a the chair.

Victaliurgical Plantmakers' ir Peter Matthews, Managing Director of Vickers Limited, was the principal guest at the annual

Birthdays today

Mr Jack Ashley, MP, 57; Str Alexander Ewing, 83; Dr James H. Griffiths, 71; Sir Denis Hamil-ton, 61; Sir William Keswick, 76; ton, 61; Sir William Reswick, 76; the Right Rev E. A. J. Mercer, 52; Professor Sir George Porter, 59; the Right Rev Ambrose Roeves, 80; Mr J. D. Trustram Eve, 82; Mr C. Washbrook, 65. Today's engagements

The Queen and The Duke of Edin-burgh visit Greater London Council, County Hall, 11.45 and later have lunch, 1.
The Duke of Edinburgh, as trustee of the National Maritime Museum, attends trustees' meet-ing at museum. 10: as president of English Speaking Union. guage competition for 1979, Buckingham Palace; later, as Colonel-in-Chief of Royal Elec-trical and Mechanical Engineers

trical and Mechanical Engineers
dines with reserve Army officers
of the corps, Arborfield, Berkshire, 7.40.
The Prince of Wales, as honorary
Air Commodore, visits Royal
Air Force Brawdy, Dyfed, files
back Hawk trainer aircraft,
10.30.
Deiroses Arma Mes Mark Phillins Princess Anne Mrs Mark Phillips opens extension to Coleford youth community centre, Glou-

youth community centre, Gloucestershire, 3.
Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother visits International Fair, International Students House, Park Crescent, 6.50.
Princess Margaret attends Christmas Gala greshound meeting at White City Stadium in aid of Sunshine Homes and Schools for Blind Children, 7.20.
Memorial Service: Sir Robert Cary, St Margaret's, Westminster, 100m; 187 P. Woodbing Parish, Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks, 1000. ton Barracks, noon.
Requiem Mass: Dom J. Forbes,
St Mary the Virgin, Oxford,
noon.

the Society's House, John Adam Street, WC2.
Wing Commander Antony Nicholson was in attendance. His Royal Highness presented the MacRobert Award of the Council of Engineering Institutions at Buckingham Palace. The Duke of Edinburgh, Honorary Fellow, this evening dived with the Officers of the Institute of Mathematics at the Cavendish Hotel, London.
Mr Richard Davies was in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE

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December S: Queen Flizabeth, the
Queen Mother, a Master of the
Middle Temple, was pleased to
dine with her fellow Eenchers at
the Middle Temple this evening.
The Lady Grimthorpe and Sir
Martin Gilliat were in attendance.
Her Majesty was represented by
the Earl of Dalhousie at the
Memorial Service for Field
Marshal Sir Gerald Templer which
was held in the Guards' Chapel, was held in the Guards' Chapel, Wellington Barracks, today.

KENSINGTON PALACE December 5: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was represented by Major The Hon Sir Francis Legh at a Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of Sir Louis Gluckstein which was held in the Liberal Jewish Synagogue, St John's Wood, this evening.

The Duke of Gloucester, Grand

luncheon held by the Metallurgical Plantmakers' Federation at the Savoy Hotel, yesterday. Mr W. L. Goldie, president of the federation and Chairman of Lamberton and

Receptions

Earl of Buckinghamshire
The Earl of Buckinghamshire was
host at a reception in the House
of Lords on November 29 held in
honour of members of the Ladies
Loudon Appeals Committee,
Leukaemia Research Fund, of
which the Countess of Buckinghamshire is chairman. It was
announced that the "Bal de l'été"
1979 Appeal had resulted in a
profit of £14,874 for leukaemia
research.

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister and Mr Denis Thatcher gave a reception yester-day evening at 10 Downing Street. Those present included members of both Houses of Parliament and representatives of the art, indusand commerce, trade unions, world of entertainment and the press. HM Government

The Defence Council last night entertained Commonwealth ser-vice advisers and liaison staffs in the United Kingdom and their the United Kingdom and their hadies at a reception given in their honour by Her Majesty's Government at the Banqueting House. The guests were received by the Secretary of State for Defence and Mrs Pym and by the Chief of the Defence Staff, Admiral of the Fleet Sir Terence Lewin.

Fleid Marshal Sir Gerald Templer Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother was represented by the Earl of Dalhousie and the Duke of Kent

Dalhousie and the Duke of Kent was present at a memorial service for Field Marshal Sir Gerald Templer held yesterday in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks. The Bishop of London, Canon Anthony Caesar, the Rey J. S. Westmuckett and Major Miles Templer (sou), who read the lesson, took part in the service. Archdeacon John Youers and the Rey E. W. Evans were robed

the Rev E. W. Brans were robed and in the sanctuary. Mr Harold Macmillan, OM, attended and Lord Home of the Hirsel was repre-sented by Lady Home. Others present included:

Memorial services

Awards for Design Management at the Society's House, John Adam Street, WC2.
Wing Commander Autony Nicholson was in attendance.
Will Burn Highest and Descented Lieutestant Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance.

> YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE December 5: The Duke of Kent was present at the Memorial Ser-vice for Field Marshal Sir Gerald Templer which was held in the Guard's Chapel, Wellington Bar-

Guard's Chaper, Weinington Barracks today.

The Duchess of Kent, Patron
of the Spastics Society, this afternoon opened the Good Neighbour
House in Camberwell.

Mrs Peter Wilmor Sitwell was
in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE December 5: Princess Alexandra, with the Hon Angus Ogilvy, this evening attended the Flual of the C & A National Schools Choir Competition, heid in aid of the British Rheumanism and Arthritis Association, and presented the Awards at the Loudon Hilton. The Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard was in attendance.

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Her Royal Highness, President of Queen Alexandra's House Association, was represented by Miss Mona Mitchell at a Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of Sir Louis Gluckstein which was held in the Liberal Jewish Synagogue, St John's Wood this evening.

Conservative Commonwealth and Overseas Council Overseas Council
The Conservative Commonwealth
and Overseas Council held a
Christmas soirée yesterday at 32
Smith Square in honour of Lord
Carrington, president of the council. Among those present were:
Lord and Lady Home of the Mirsel.
Baroness Hornsby-Smith, Mr Poler Wai.
ker. MP, Sir lan Glimour. MP, Ike Hon
George Younger, MP, Sir Uraham
Rovilandson, Sir Edgar Keatings. Lady
(Nolly) Hungins. Lady Crockers. My
John Russens Mr. Lord, Mr. Lord
Blaker, MP, Mr. Jutlan Critchiev, MP,
Mr. Peter Tapsell, MP, Mr. Colin Turner
(Chalrman) and Mrs. Turner.

Dinners

Institute of Mathematics and its The Duke of Edinburgh, immediate past president, dined with officers of the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications at the Cavendish Hotel last night. Dame Kathleep Ollerenshaw presided. Others present were:

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Professor Sir Hermann Bond, Mr
Norman Clarke, Professor Sir Sam
Edwards, Mr Francis Kollaway, Protessor Sir James Lighthill, Mr John
McDonneil, Professor Sir Harry Pill,
Miss Catherine Richards, Mr Ronald
Scriven, Or Bryan Thwallos, Mr Peler
Trier and Dr Peter Wakely. City Livery Club

The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, attended the annual dinner of the City Livery Club held in Guildhall yesterday. Mr Alderman Anthony S. Joiliffe presided National Dried Fruit Trade Association

Association
The annual dinner and dance of the National Dried Fruit Trade Association was held at the Savoy Hotel yesterday, Mr J. N. Cicilitira, chairman, presided and Mr Enoch Powell. MP, was the guest of honour. The Ambassador of South Africa and Mme de Villiers and the Greek Ambassador and Mme Legron were among the

d'Avisdor-Goldsmid. Lady d'Avigdor-Goldsmid. Sir Redolph de Trafford.

Sir Bernard and the Hon Lady Waloy-Cohen. Licutansmi-Colonel Sir Julian and Lady Paget, Sir David Mulrhead (representing the Secretary of State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs). Sir Michael Palliser (representing the Diplomatic Corps). General Sir John and Lady Mong, Lieutenani-General Sir Millian and Lady Mong, Lieutenani-General Sir William and Affairs. Sir Maurice Downe, Sir Michael Wilson, Sir Harry Greenfield Sir Globert Lathwaite, Sir Etward Playfair, Dame Felicity Poake, Sir High Mackay-fellack, Sir Berkeley and Lady Gage. General Sir Polon (Royal Regiment) of Artillery: General Sir Frank Simpson, Major-General Sir John and Lady Swinton, Lady I William: Hart, General Sir Bonkert, Lady Bowes-Lyon, Major-General Sir Bohn and Lady Swinton, Marshal of the RAF Sir Thomas Pike, Sir Hugh Wontner, Sir Michael Stowart. Lady Bowes-Lyon.

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Forthcoming marriages

Captain H. G. R. Bostawen and Miss A. M-M. Eden The engagement is announced between Hugh Boscawen, Cold-stream Guards, son of the Hon Robert and Mrs Boscawen, and Alexandra, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Eden, of Woodleighs House, Arundel, Sussex.

Mr W. J. Hibbert and Miss C. M. Lucas-Tooth and Miss C. M. Licas-100m

The engagement is announced between William, younger son of Sir Reginald and Lady Hibbert, of the Eridish Embassy, Paris, and Maria, eldest daughter of Mr John and the Hon Mrs Lucas-Tooth, of Parsonage Farm, East Hagbourne, Oxfordshire.

Mr T. R. Chariton
and Miss C. V. Wiernik
The engagement is announced
between Timothy, elder son of
Mr and Mrs Michael Chariton,
of Richmond, Surrey, and Cella,
daughter of Dr and Mrs George
Wiernik, of Eastleigh House,
Kirthington, Oxford. Dr C. L. Hall and Dr N. M. Padel

and Dr N. M. Padel
The engagement is announced
between Clive, younger son of
Mr and Mrs George Hall, of
Lytham St Annes, Lancashire,
and Nicola, younger daughter of
Dr and Mrs T. H. Padel, of
Highgate, London. Dr. J. R. Jessep and Miss J. Gadd

and Miss J. Gaod
The engagement is announced
between Julian, elder son of Mr
aud Mrs W. H. G. Jesson, of
Highcliffe. Dorset, and Janet,
vounger daughter of Mr and Mrs
J. W. Gadd, of Huntley,
Gloucespershire. Mr E. G. N. McNaught-Davis and Miss S. J. P. Clarke

and Miss S. J. F. Clarke
The engagement is announced
between Edward, second son of
Liemenant-Colonel and Mis L. V.
McNaught-Davis, of South Croydon, and Sarah Jane, daughter of
the late Mr K. M. Clarke and of
Mrs N. E. Clarke, of Weathercock,
Sympton. Vert. Smarden, Kent. Mr L. P. Ramswell and Miss K. Jensen

and Miss K. Jensen
The engagement is announced
between Leonard Peter Ramswell,
of Lambeth, London, and Katrina
Jensen, of Langley Green, Sussex. Mr C. Rice and Miss C. Struthers and Miss C. Struthers
The engagement is announced between Charles, younger son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs H. J. B. Rice, of Farnham, Surrey, and Carol, younger daughter of Colonel and Mrs D. G. Struthers, of Ottawa, Ontario.

Mr J. Tulloch and Miss L. Barrie and Miss L. Barrie
The engagement is announced between James, younger son of Mrs Mary Tulloch, of the Old Rectory, Ruchall, Pusey, Witshire, and the late Major-General D. D. C. Tulloch, CB, DSO, MC, and Luisa, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Bryan Barrie, of Foxleigh Grange, Holyport, Berkshire.

Marriage Viscount Bridport and Mrs N. Rindt-Martyn

The marriage took place quietly in Helsinki, on Wednesday, December 5, 1979, between Viscount Bridport and Mrs Nina Rindt-Martyn.

By the Staff of Nature

Researchers from Newcastle
University have made the first
attempt to assess the extent of
inbreeding within a normal British
population.

Testing back two hundred years.

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attempt to assess the extent of inbreeding within a normal British population.

Tracing back two hundred years of ancestry on the Orkneys, they have found little evidence that Orcadians are any more inbreeding in some areas of the islands than nothers.

In splic of earlier surveys of the extent of consanguinous marriages and their possible effects on populations in other parts of the world, there has previously been nothing comparable in Britain. The only study on record was made in 1946, when Dr Julia Bell, who died this year aged 100, surveyed the parental relationships of hospital patients in Britain, who were unifiedly to have been representative of the population at large.

When Professor Derek Roberts and his collesques decided to remedy the struation, they chose the Orkneys for their first survey, which is reported in the current edition of the Journal of Biosocial Science.

They used a pardstick known as inherited a respect when individual has inherited the coefficient of inbreeding; if the parents are brother and sister, it will be 1 in 4 (0.25), and if they are first cousins, 1 in 16 (0.0625). If the parents are nurelated, the

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They used a yardstick known as the coefficient of inbreeding, an expression of the probability that an individual has inherited identical genetic traits from both parents. The greater the degree of consunguinity the larger the coefficient of inbreeding; if the parents are brother and sister, it will be 1 in 4 (0.25), and if they are first cousins, 1 in 16 (0.0625). If the parents are unrelated, the coefficient is assumed to be zero. For a whole population, the figure is the average of those for individual members.

Thus the extent of inbreeding within a population can be expressed in a simple way if the history of marriages within the population can be traced. Professor Roberts and his colleagues were able to do that on Orkney by searching parish records and other documents. The task was much the same as that facing people wishing to trace their own family trees.

The Newcastle team traced the

ancestry of subjects chosen at random from those born in the various parishes of the Orkneys between 1870 and 1949. Those dates ensured that some of the subjects were still alive at the time of the investigation. In any

MacRobert Award

The Duke of Edinburgh, Founder President of the Council of Engineering Institutions, presented the MacRobert, Medal and a cheque. for £25,000 to Mr Sam Fedida, and the 1979 MacRobert Award Gold Medal to Mr Peter Benton, mana-ging director of Post Office Telecommunications, at a private ceremony at Buckingham Palace yesterday. The award was made for the development of the Post Officer's viewdata system, Prestel.

John Stevens, Mr and Mrs E. J. Medler, Rinadler Oliver Brooks, Mrs Lan Beillie, Mrs P. Cadogan, Mr Harry Sporters, Mrs P. Cadogan, Mr Harry Sporters, Lesteamic-Colonel John Mrs Beorges, Colonel E. I. Windson Cilve, Rogers, Colonel E. I. Windson Cilve, Liestenant-Colonel and Mrs George Denetriadi, Liestenant-Colonel C. E. Bond, Colonel W. A. Salmon, Colonel Dedds-Parker (Special Furces Cith), Rejauler J. H. P. Woodroffe, Major A. Garry Gotte chalman, Combet Mrs Lestenant (Vice chalman, Combet Mrs J. R. Beeley thalman, Boodle's), Mr J. R. Gorman (Vice chalman and thief assettenant (Vice chalman and thief assetteschilte Northern Ireland Bousing. Mrs E. Champion de Grandinou, Mrs E. W. Dawson, Mr and Mrs Hugh Child, Mr Anthony Meniague Browne, Mrs E. Spannedie, Mr L. H. Mrs Hugh Child, Mr Romale, Mr L. Mrs Hugh Child, Mr Romale Joseph, Mr P. J. Norton, Mr T. B. Barlow, and Mr F. de Wilhotz.

The Prime Minister attended a service of thanksgiving for the life of Baroness Skrimshire of Quarter held yesterday at St Margaret's. Westminster. Canon John Baker officiated. The Speaker and Sir John King read the lessons and Mr. Fuoch Powell. MP, gave an address. Lord Home of the Hirsel was represented by Lord Campbell of Croy and the Secretary of State for the Home Department, the Secretary of State for Scotland and Baroness Young (representing the Chairman of the Conservative Party) were among others present.

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Lieutesant-Colonel H. E. Peirce A memorial service for Lieutesant-Colonel H. E. (Joe) Peirce was held yesterday at St Martin-in-the-Pields. The Rev Christopher Walker officiated. The lesson was read by Mr Basil Gwyn. chairman of the National Council of Building Material Producers, and Mr Kit Aston, chairman of Powell Duffryn, gave an address.

Sir Louis Gluckstein, QC Sir Louis Glockstein, QC
A thanksgiving service for the life
of Sir Louis Glockstein, QC, was
held yesterday at the Liberal
Jewish Synagogue, St John's Wood.
Rabbi John D. Rayner officiated,
assisted by Rabbi L. Edgar. Judge
Edward Clarke, QC, read the
lesson and Lord Hailsham of St
Marylebone gave an address.

towns and cities.

Professor Roberts and his col-Professor Roberts and his col-leagues suggest that the same trend might be visible in the west mainland and oner islands of the Orkneys, which can be considered more rural than the other areas surveyed. But a more substantial assessment will not be possible antil information is available about other populations in Britain.

Source: Journal of Bissocialogical Science, October, 1979 (Volume 11, page 391).

Nature-Times News Service, 1979.

Latest appointments

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Latest appointments include:
The Duke of Gloucester is to be
next year's president of the Kast
of England Agricultural Society.
Mr William Ashwerth has been
appointed a county court registrar
and district registrar of the High
Court from January 16. He will
be additional joint registrar in
Salford and Oldham courts.
Mr Francis Andrew Allen to be
a circuit judge on the Midland
and Oxford circuit.
Dr Albertine Gaux, department of
oriental manuscripts and printed oriental manuscripts and printed books, and Dr Dennis Rhodes, department of printed books, to be deputy keepers in the British

Latest wills Latest estates include (net, before tax paid, tax not disclosed):
Bensty, Mr Eric Frank, of Castlemorton, Malvern £568.856
Steele Mortimer, Mr Matthew Robin, of Llanas, Clwyd £870,296
Chant, Mr Norman Hichisson, of West Wickham £123,491
Forbes, Mr George Dixon, of Ventnor, Isle of Wight £124,070
Beach, Mr Sydney Charles, of Coring by-Sea £158,570
Chadwick, Mr James Hardey, of Elion, Bury £154,754
Evans, Miss Mary Christian, of Bridgnorth £174,560
Fife, Mr Richard, of Louth, Lincolnshire £134,395 Latest estates include (net, before

25 years ago

From The Times of Tuesday, Dec 7, 1954
Cairo, Dec 6.—In a five-minute ceremony Britain and Egypt today exchanged the ratification documents of the treaty by which all British troops will leave the Suez Canal zone within 20 months. The seven-year treaty signed on October 19 provides that civilian technicians shall maintain the base and that British troops can return in the event of any attack on certain Middle Eastern countries, including Turkey. The exchange of ratification instruments took place at the Foreign Ministry. An early sign of the new accord was the presence in Cairo of a number of British soldiers, the first to spend a weekend in the city since 1952. Wearing civilian clothes and in holiday mood, 232 soldiers and 64 sallors took the chance to go sight-seeing and buy souvenirs. They are among the 75,000 British troops in the exacuation scheme, many of whom have already gone either to Britain or to Cyprus, the new Middle East headquarters. British military authorities today announced two embarkations for this week.

OBITUARY

Science report

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Apart from criminology, her other interest was in services for the mentally retarded and subnormal which is reflected in the book Put. Away (1969) Attorney General's Department.

MISS EDITH CLARKE

Miss Edith Clarke, OBE, died London, and then at the Lonin England on November 7, at the age of 83. She was a wellknown figure in the social life of pre-independent Jamaica. From 1936-1948 she was Secretary of the Board of Supervision, a statutory body in charge of the administration of the then poverty-stricken island, and as a native of Jamaica she was "Miss Edie" wherever she went. In 1956 she was nominated as a member of the Legislative Council of Jamaica and was the first woman to act in that capacity. She also took a leading part in many other bodies administration. ing or encouraging welfare, Director of Jamaica Welfare Chairman of a committee organizing groups equivalent to our Young Farmers Club.

Edith Clarke came of a well-

don School of Economics where she took a diploma in Social Anthropology under Professor mannowski.

It was here that she developed the interest in sociology which led to her appointment in 1948 as Director of a Social Survey of Jamaica, financed by the Colonial Social Science Research Council, with Dr Madeleine Kerr a psychologist, and Dr Obrebski, a Polish anthropologist, on her staff. The survey was a considerable achievement in view of the shortage of trained personnel at the time. Some of its results at the time. Some of its results are published in a full and readable book entitled My Mother who Fathered me (1957), a work used as a textbook for Jamaican social workers and researchers ever

since. Edith Clarke came of a well-known Jamaican family. She was a grand-daughter of the Rev. Henry Clarke who left England for Jamaica in 1847 to teach at a school in Savannala-mar. She was educated first in Jamaica and then in England, at the Abbey School, Malvern. After the First World War she enrolled as a student, first at University College, Miss Clarke was a colourful

SIR PHILIP MORRIS part in the post-war revival of the activities of the Association

Sir Douglas Logan writes:

May I add a footnote to your admirable obituary of Sir of Commonwealth Universities of the Association of Commonwealth Universities of which be was Vice Chairman for course were becoming Chairman the first university administrators to foresee the expansion of the facilities for higher education, which gathered momentum in her late 1950s with the found in her late 1930s with the 1930s with the consequent need to simplify admission procedures. In spite of opposition from many of his colleagues on the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals, of which incidentally be was Chairman from 1955 to 1958, he continued to preach the gospel of the need for inter-university collaboration which led in 1961 to the creation of the Universities Gentral Council on Admissions, ing of new universities, and the consequent need to sim-

Robbins Committee on Higher the Committee of V. Education and played a leading lors and Principals.

DR CORINNE HUTT

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Dr Corinne Hutt, Reader in the Psychology Department of the University of Keele, died suddenly on November 25. She was 44.

A native of Sri Lanka and a graduate of Manchester and Oxford, she was known internationally for her research work on human development during the early childhood years. She was the author of more than 70 publications concerning psychological sex differences, the role of exploration and play in children's learning, and the psychophysiology of artention in normal and autistic children. Her death at a rime when she had so many plans for future work is a sad loss.

She is survived by her husband, Professor John Hutt, of Keele University, and two sons.

or winch he was Vice Chairman for some years, becoming Chairman in 1953 when the Seventh Oninquennial Conference of Commonwealth Universities met in Cambridge.

It was in this connection that

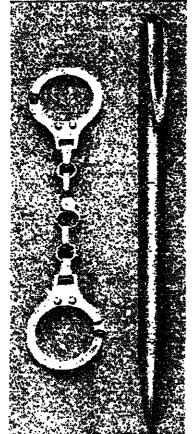
creation of the Universities

Central Council on Admissions,
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retired to his rather remote
house near Dolgellan, though he
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It should also be recorded to come to London to help to
that he was a member of the celebrate the 60th birthday of

VISCOUNT DILLON

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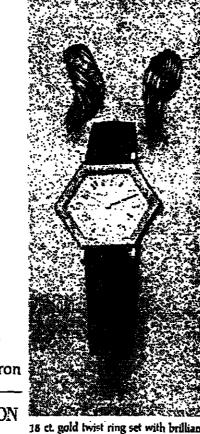


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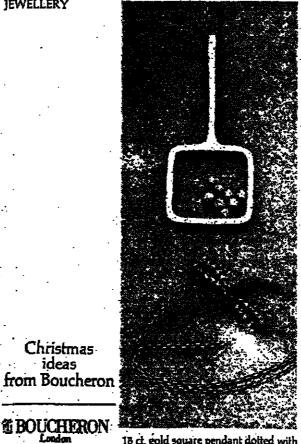
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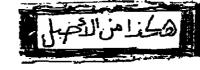


18 ct. gold square pendant dolted with brilliant diamonds on neckchain . £ 1,050 18 cf. gold dragon-fly pendant set with cabochon sapphires and brilliant diamonds on vellow gold neckchain. £ 750 Miniature books sale realizes £273,960

Ry Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Carrespondent
The Arthur A. Houghton, junior, collection of miniature books was sold at Christie's yesterday for 273,960 with less than 1 per cent unsold. Houghton, the president of Corning Glass, has formed one of the greatest libraries of the twentieth century which he is gradually disposing of at Christie's.

The miniature books were essentially a sideline and an amusement; he could and that keep the entire ministure library of 1,000 volumes in his New York office. Volumes of every type and era are included; the only rigid rule being a height of less than three inches.

The most expensive was a sixteenfuccurry veillum manuscript of the Hours of the Virgin with six full-page miniatures and 12 calendar illuminations in the School of Foomincheau style; it made £38,000 (estimate £10,900 for six passed of 2 grif sponging with six full-page miniatures and 12 calendar illuminations in the School of Foomincheau style; it made £38,000 (estimate £10,900 for spanses of the studio fits of uround 1890 was a close runner-up; with 15 full-page miniatures it made £37,000 (estimate £14,000) to Helmut Schuman of Zurich, for the remained for the remained for the remained for the studio fits of the painter, Anton Lock, who died eacher this year. While the sale was a Sumerian cunsiform clay tablet recording the issue of gold, precious stones and copper during the thirty-sith to thirty-seventh years of Shuigi, king of 15; the substitute of the smallest providing the sixe of gold, precious stones and copper during the thirty-sith to thry-seventh years of Shuigi, king of 15; the substitute of the smallest providing the sixe of gold, precious stones and copper during the thirty-sith to thry-seventh years of Shuigi, king of 15; the smallest providing the sixe of gold, precious stones and copper during the thirty-sith to thry-seventh years of Shuigi, king of 15; the smallest providing the sixe of gold, precious stones and copper during the thirty-sith to thry-seventhy years of Shuigi, king of 15; the prov



Indian hopes

on Sikander

New Delhi, Dec 5.-Medium pace bowler Sikander Bakht took

sight wickets to personally veck india's first innings and put Pakistan in a strong position in the second Test at the end of the second day today.

After their draw in the open-

ing Test, it was India who looked more likely to record a victory when they took Pakistan's last sax wickets for 36 runs and a modest

total of 273 this morning. But by the end of the day they were

in dire straits at 126 for nine. India began their pursuit in minutes before lunch and put on

minutes before lunch and put on nine runs.

Sikander. aged 22. not even chosen for the first Test in Bangalore, struck immediately after the lunch interval and by tea had taken five wickets as India collapsed to 70 for six. He added three more by the close of play and left India with Yashpai Sharma and Dilip Doshi struggling to stay alive in a last

Yashpai Sharma and Dilip Doshi struggling to stay alive in a last wicket stand that had reached 32 when stumps were drawn.

Sikander's final figures were eight for 69 off 20 overs. The only wicket not to fall to him was that of Gundappa Viswanath, who was run out, coincidentally, when Sikander deflected the ball on to the wicket with Viswanath backing up.

sikander's figures were his best in Test cricket by far and also the best by any Pakistani bowler

against India.
Only the captain. Sunil Gavaskar, played confidently, getting 31
before Sikander had him caught
behind. Before Gavaskar went.
Chejan Chauban had also been

behind. Before Gavaskar welliCligian Chauhan had also been
caught lehind. Dilip Vengsarkar
was out for only one when he
was caught by Javed Miandad and
Viswanath was run out.
At the close Yashpal was 28 and
Doshi 10. In all 15 wickets fell
today and though Indian wickets
are usually tailor-made for spinners, it was the pacemen who did
all the damage. Kapil Dev took two
of the Pakistan wickets this morning to end with five for 38, his
best in Tests. Karsen Ghavri and
Roger Binny claimed the others.
An exciting day's cricket was
nearly marred by an ugly incident during the closing minutes.
Doshi, after playing the last ball
of an over from Sikander, went
across the pitch to talk to his
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Jubilation: Dalglish (right) running in to congratulate Johnson, already in McDermott's

Norwich's curious tactics misfire

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent
Norwich C 1, Liverpool 3
A trinket it, may be by comparison with some of the tropides that has decorated the stelves of Liverpool's trophy cabinets, but the Football League Cup is the one last domestic prize that has not been seen at Amileld. On the evidence of their dismissive attitude towards Norwich City in the fifth round at Carrow Road last night, they intend that this season the set will be completed.

Norwich took their defeat manfully enough, and so too did their supporters who were under scritting as a result of last Saturday's incidents in which the Aston Villa goalkesper, Rimmer, was hurt by coins thrown from belaind a goal, and Fashana, the home centreforward, was sent off. So Norwick began under the hardship of haring no orthodox tentre forward, Fashana being under automatic suspension.

They had been comforting thems-

they had been comforting them-They had been comforting them-selves with the memory of a draw prised from Liverpool at Anfield earlier in the season, but in the light of curious tactics last night conceded that crumb of hope. They chose to allow their full backs, Bond and Downs, freedom of the length of the touchlines. Against a slow moving attack the risk could have been worthwhile, out against the exceptional speed

of Dalglish and Johnson it was a most unequal contest, two against two only in theory.

Finishing the first half 3—1 down was an indication of the way in which Norwich's risks were punished by the pace of Liverpool, who extended their run of nubeaten matthes to 12. Powell and Hoadley were the two defenders given too much responsibility. Johnson enjoyed the challenge of outruming them and scored twice. Dalglish provided both opporning the Norwich hoped to outrumber their opponents.

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Liverpool's simplicity and speed
were devastating, although made
to appear more so by the Norwich
tactics. They scored after 11
minutes, and even by then the
tide of an initial rush by Norwich
had been turned and stemmed.
Dalglish gave McDermott time to
move well out to the left side.
McDermott hit the ball hard into
the goalmouth where Hoadley
blocked it only for Johnson to stab
in his first goal. in his first goal.

In his first goal.

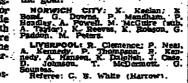
A scissors kick by Peters saw
the ball strike Liverpool's crossbar to bring a him of hope for
Norwich, but it amounted to little
in the scheme of events. With
Peters trying to act as centre
forward and schemer, inevitably he
fell between the two tasks. Liverpool simply crowded him out.

To crowd Dalglish was impos-

sible. After half an hour he escaped a tackle near the halfway line and in the same movement found Johnson with a long pass to his left. Johnson, irrepressible, smacked a diagonal shot that went beyond Keelan and into the far corner of the net. Considering that after 35 min

Considering that after 35 minntes Norwich slumped to an irretrievable position, three goals behind, they did tolerably well to
give Liverpool some belated competition. The third goal could
have led to an avalanche, but after
Dalglish had run on to Case's pass into the peralty area and shot under Keelan, Norwich worked hard and reduced the arreast with a determined consolation goal.

Although not a marvellous goal.
Reves pushing the ball over the line when under pressure from Thompson, it served to keep Norwich from worse humiliation. In a two minute period after half-time Downs and Reeves sent good shots close to the post but for Clemence there was little to fear from Norwich or their spectators behind the goal.



Later came the Bood as Oxford

Later came the Bood as Oxford tightened their nuts and bolts. Sadier put them ahead to 2—1 after Power had first saved bravely, point blank, from Morrill and it was Hannon who duly crowned a fine display with goal No 3 from Bennett's diagonal

"That was kind of fun," a visit-

ing American said. It certainly was and even funnier had be but known that the Cambridge goal-keeper had switched universities from last year to join Ghron, once only a desirable girls college to

Oxford make themselves the masters

lines of longitude for Hannon, Cambridge 1. Bennett and Sadlet to out deep over the bones swathes past Watson and Com-By Geoffrey Green
Oxford 3, Cambridge 1.

No need to pick over the bones swathes past Watson and Common in stones. After Cambridge had opened this 96th University light of the paddy field with his arranged in Wembley—a breathless matter of less than 15 seconds—it was Oxford who finally strode away to an undisputed and sophisticated victory in surging what and rain. They clearly deserved the silver trophy, presented for this match by G. B. Fry 25 years ago, which somehow has been luck, he might have helped himself to a hatful of goals. By Geoffrey Green

the interval the match trem-with a vibrance. The shrill-ms of the schoolboys in a linto a parrot house. The years slipped away with the echoes. But once Oxford had at lest taken the lead on the hour the book was put away and facts had to be faced. Oxford were the clear masses.

As the dust settled—or rather in the conditions the deepening spongy pools—on the fallen Cambridge temple it became clear that their crippling failure was caused largely by the dark blue midfield authority of Morrill, Boyle and longe. Playing fluently with the ball on the ground they passed the ammunition smoothly along the

Megson on city's wanted list

Manchester City have joined the chase for Plymouth Argyle's middled player, Gary Megson, whose contract expires at the end of this season. Megson, aged 20, is valued at 250,000 and City would like him on a loan period. City's manager, 100m Alison, said: "1 arve poken to Plymouth and they are insidering whether to allow ary to come to Maine Road for us to have a closer look at him?"

West Bromwich Albion, Wolver-hampton Wanderers, Bristol City and Everton are also interested in the son of the former Bristol Rovers manager, Don Megson, who is now in charge of Portland Timbers in North America.

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with greater care, or perhaps luck, he might have helped himself to a hatful of goals.

Oxford indeed revealed the spaces of Cambridge's togetherness as they filtered, edited and tidied up their own game after half-time, showing vision and variety of angles in their attacks. There was clearly more to their football than met the eve as Cambridge sank quietly for the third ding at the deep end.

How little could they have expected their work to be so cut out when Oxford lost the ball at the stands had even found their places. Cox, a dashing, intelligent centre-forward—sadly starved after the luterval—lad flicked a return pass beyond the spalkeeper. Yet within a quarter of an hour Oxford were level as Rennett, after two earlier misses, headed home for 1—1. Yesterday's results League Cup Fifth round

Cambridge 1. Representative match : fa X 5. London University 0.

Quick draw for the FA Cup

The draw for the third round of this season's FA Cup will take place at 5.15 on December 15, half an hour after the second round the have finished. An FA spokesman said yesterday the decision had been taken to accommodate the Pools Promoters' Association. The spokesman said: "We should like to point out that not only do the FPA make considerable payments to the FA and Football League for use of fixtures, they also place large amounts voluntarily to the football grounds improvements trust which has enabled many clubs to make much needed improvements." Cricket

Lillee's histrionics leave sour taste

From John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent
Brisbane, Det 5

Australia as well their first Test
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the field, were promptly dismissed
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from Hoss.

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Chappell and ringhes added 11a. Chappell batted six hours and a quarter for his 124. Hughes a minute or two longer for his 130 not out. They were two fine inn-

The Test was the first to be phyed with microphones sunk into the ground immediately belind each set of stumps—another concession to the television moguls. The attendances were disappointing, the azgregate of 43,644 being much below what the Australian Cricket Board and the Promoters had been hoping for and 21,000 fawer than watched the four days of the Brisbane Test match between Australia and West Indies four years ago. tour years ago.

AUSTRALIA: First innings 203 (R. Laird 12. G. Chappel) 74. J. Garner Second Immas

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Chappell in danger of further disciplinary action

to another stormy episode in the career of Ian Chappell, the 36-year-old former captain of Australia who played a leading part in helping Kerry Packer build his World Series Cricket revolution. Chappell, whose three-week suspension, after an altercation with an umpire in Tasmania, finished an impere in lammana, missed a day before the present match, was twice at loggerbeads with Graham McLeod, an umpire, and could face, further disciplinary action from the Australian Cricket Board. Chappell's initial brush with Mr McLeod, whose first match this is at state or international level came when they national level, came when they disagreed about the interpretation of law 30 of the laws of cricket, which deals with byes and leg-

byes.

Later, when South Australia fielded, the umpire objected to Chappell toxsing him a sweater so off-handedly he could not reach it. Taking offence quickly, he told Chappell to pick it up. However, the other umpire, Max O'Connell, walking to square leg, intervened before the argument grew heated and the game Conintervened before the argument grew heated and the game continued. The first episode arose when Chappell, who had just come in, ran what he considered was a fair leg-bye off his second ball, a bouncer from Botham which the batsman lost sight of amid the scaffolding of the television commentators' box behind the bowler's arm. Chappell made a clear effort to move to the off side of the ball, which was bowled

Chappell took up the story after Chappell took up the story after the day's play, which after two declarations. England reached 87 for three, a lead of 93. "When I got up the bowler's end, the umpire told me to go back. He said: 'That was an ordinary ball, not a bouncer'". Chappell, well aware after more than 15 years of west-class cricker than 15.

From a Special Correspondent Adelaide, Dec 5

Cricker took second place today to another stormy episode in the career of lan Chappell, the 36-career of lan Chappell of lan C in three overs after 80 mitures play. Darbing, who was out 1-b-w padding up, well forward, to an off break from Miller with the score neaftered, also made his feelings known, alrhough he later apologized for using strong language as he made his way to his team's open-fronted dressing room immediately behind the members' seats.

seals.

It will not be known until morning whether Chappell will have to meet the price of his intemperate behaviour. By the playing conditions of Australian first-class not a bouncer "Chappell, well aware after more than 15 years of first-class cricket that law 30 makes no stipulation of length of the ball if the batsman "has tried to avoid being hit" by it, decided to make an issue of it by throwing down his bar. "I told thim: You're not going to tell me I wasn't trying to avoid that ball?" But he told me again to get back to the striker's end and it was obvious he wasn't going to change his mind".

Asked whether he intended to apologize, Chappell answered with a glower: "Why should !? It was an incompetent decision by an incompetent decision by an incompetent umpire and I've an incompetent umpire and I've had enough of them". Asked whether he was considering retiring, he said: "I'll still be here romorrow I guess. That's as far ahead as I know at this stage".

Botham's next ball proved Chappell's third and last. Hooking off balance, he was caught by Bairstow, who was keeping wicket while Taylor was in the outfield. He returned to a hostile silence from the 100 or so speciators scattered in the seats reserved for members, one of three South Australian first-class oricket, umpires have 24 hours after an incident of this nature to cricket. Journal of Australian first-class cricket, umpires have 24 hours after an incident of this nature to cricket. Association. Let will be passed on by Neil? Blundell, secretary of the South Australian to the Australian board in Sydney. In that event, further suspensions seems the likely outcome.

England tried hard to force home their advantage in the catching ring. The pitch offered some turn but not quickly enough to trouble batsmen intent on staying in. From a lutch score of tour, Boycott catching a mishoek from Sleep near the square leg unpire, but Crowc, diving lard, arried South Australia, opened the returned to a hostile silence from the 100 or so speciators scattered in the seats reserved for members, one of three South Australia, opened the following the provided that the provided that the provided that the provided that the provided th

Willey, driving firm-footed at Prior, was caught at the wicker Larkins, lucky to escape in McLellan's first over when a leg side mistiming dropped into an open space, never settled in and had batted 95 minutes for 19 when a skimming on drive was mag-nificently caught by the twelfth man-plunging forward 20 yards behind the bowler. Gower hooked well and scored 27 in an hour. But 10 minutes from close of play he swept at Sleep and was lbw. Bairstow and Taylor, playing their second and first innings in a frest-riess match on tour, stated

first-class match on tour, stayed together until the end. ENGLAND XI: First innungs, 232 for 2 dec · G. Boycott 110, J. M. Breariev 81 · .

Total (3 wkts) 67 FALL OF WICKERS : 1-14, 2-54. BOW PNG . Prior. 7—)—11—1:
McLellan 7—1—10—0: Attenborough
7—1—28—0 Mailett. 9—5—11—1:
Steen. 2—2——1

SOUTH AUSTRALIA : First Innings . M. Darling, I-b-w, b. Miller 43. C. Nu-b hii, wid, b. Botham . . . 48. I. M. Chappell c. Baltslow b.

BOWLING: Lever, 29-7-44-0: Richam 16-4-42: Stevenson, 13-2-11-1, Miller, 21-7-42-1: Willer, 11-4-50-0, Larkins, 4-0-11-4.

Mandad, who has helded the ball on the leg side, broke the wicket and appealed for a run out. The square leg umpire gave him out amid protests from Doshi. The matter was settled with the acting captain, Majid Khan, withdrawing the appeal. drawing the appeal.

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Murlassar Nazar, c Chauhan, b
Kapil Dev
Zaheer Abbas, b Kapil Drv
Javed Mandad, Ibw b Ghavri
Wasim Ram, Ibw, h Kapil Dev
Asig Ibbil c Vengarikar, b
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Wasim Bari, b Kapil Dev
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New rules over work permits

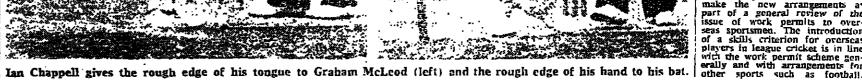
WORK PETINIES

From the 1980 season only overseas cricketers who have represented their country. Or who have played regularly in first class cricket will be eligible for work permits to play as professionals in league cricket. The fee to be paid to the cricketer must be at least £1,500 for the season or proportionately for part of the season. The minimum fee will be adjusted annually and is intended to be sufficient to support the player while in this country.

Lord Gowrie, Minister of State for Employment, has decided to make the new arrangements at part of a general review of the issue of work permits to overseas sportsmen. The introduction of a skills criterion for overseas players in league cricket is in line with the work permit scripers non-









Italian team withdraws after row over judging

Fort Worth, Dec 5.—The Italian team withdrew from the world gymnastics championship today to protest about their stores on the compulsory women's floor exercises, calling the judging a technical compady."

The women's compulsories were completed yesterday, and accord-ing to officials, the Indians dising to officials, the Italians, dis-cussed pulling out that night. But the decision did not come until this afternoon, when their men's team did not go on to the floor-for the optionals. It is a sym-bolic form of protest against the world of sports and the drawing up of judges. So said Burno Grandi, president of the halian international Pederation, of Gym-nastics.

nastics.

The Italian women scored 8.50, 8.50, 8.60, 8.65, 8.70 and 8.75 on yesterday's floor exercise, rankings that Mr Grandi said were much too low. The women finished twentieth after compulsories an drine men were ranked sevemeenth. The floor exercise judges on women's compulsories were from Hungary, Canada, China, Spain and Czechoslovaka. "The best example of the Italians is the floor exercise", Mr Grandi said. "We are crying inside, as are all our symmasts."

There were 14 scoring protests after compulsories. Six were thrown out and there were sight score changes for the Soviet Union, East Germany, Caecho-slovakia, Austra and the United States. China's men and women are virtually assured of finishing among the top 12 teams an drius

qualifying for next year's Olympic Indeed compétitive

pompastics may be at a crossroads There is a choice between making rechnical moves more difficult of njecting more personal style. " A lot of gymnastics experts have worried about it for a long time." Larrisa Petrik, one of the Soviet Union's former medallists, said. How far are we going to push?"

Several changes have taken place in gymnastics since 1966, when she took a bronze medal on the beam and fourth place on the Goor exercise in the world championships, "the scoring is the same;" she said. "I scored a 9.90 od the Goor exercise (at the 1968 Olympics) in Mexico. But there has been a change in the emphasis. It has lost a lot of the feministity ... the intimute contact with the audience. Now gym-

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on the difficulty,

Guildford show masterly form against Cambridge

By Sydney Friskin Cambridge Ü 0 Guildford 5 There is much to be said for the policy of persevering with a winning side. Guildford, relying

on the players who beat Spenčer. 41 on Saturday, took another step up the London League hockey. ladder vesterday with a masterly display against Cambridge Univer-The result put Guildford in fifth place (with a percentage of 76.48) behind Southgate, Slough, St Albans and Hounslow, all of whom are well within their reach. The

more comforting thought for Guildford is that, having reached the last 16 stage of the national club championenip, they have, on present form, a reasonable change of recovering the title they won two seasons are Adding to the four goals in

Adding to the four goals in scored against Spencer. Francis obtained three more yesterday, having established a proper understanding of Jeans's methods on the right wing. The attack was well supported by Bowerman, an Oxford Blue, and there was some hard work in deep defence by Carley and Finks.

You Delden the best of Care.

Carley and Finks.

Van Delden, the best of Cambridge's forwards, impressed the speciators with his stickwork and acceleration, which were allowed only limited scope. Diamond was at all times a useful link; Gallimore and Richard Dodds the most reliable among the defenders.

By about midnes in the first By about midway in the first half Guildford had taken a 2.0 lead. Carley's centre from the

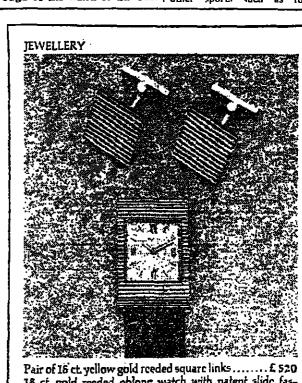
right was sufficient incentive for Francis to score with an angular shot in the twelfth minute, and two minutes later Francis obtained his second goal from a short cor-ner, stupping the hit from the line himself and driving the ball home. The only threat from Cambridge before the interval was a short corner which came to nought with a faulty handstop. Then, almost on half-time, Jeans took the ball to the line and backpassed for

Peet to score. Rosoman, following up a hit from a short corner, scored the fourth goal early in the second half, and the fifth came 10 minutes from the end through Jeans. In the last few seconds Cam-

bridge might have had a conso-lation goal. Diamond and van Delden set up a good chance, but Atkinson, who was nicely placed at the top of the circle, took a hastly swing and missed the ter-

A Peel.

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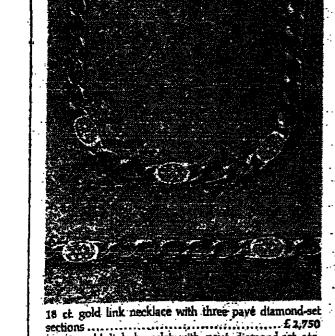


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Mrs Moser's standing takes a tumble as she finishes fifth

Marie-Thérèse Nadig justified the optimism of a Swiss colleague expressed in The Times today by winning the first race of the world winning the bist rate of the words
cup ski season, a downhill. At an
early stage of the race her
supremacy had been established
over Cindy Nelson (United States)
and, a little more surprisingly,
Annemarie Moser (Austráz).

Andemarie Moser (Austria).

Apart from the relatively humble position of Mrs Moser, widely regarded as the best female skier the world has yet produced, this was the old school reassering itself at the very start of this Olympic season. But half an bour later, when ski races are apt to be moribued, if not entirely dead, two young North Americans, Laurie Graham (Canada) and Heidil Prenss (United States), brought it dramatically back to life. So much so that Mrs Moser was finally relegated to fifth place. relegated to fifth place.

The first hint of upheaval was Miss Graham's intermediate time was Granam's intermediate time of 49,66sec from a start number of 41, about half a second behind the winner and the runner-up. It was, astonishingly enough, a third of a second better than Mrs Moser. Shortly after, she came poaring down the last schuss to when the alock is limit 21,98sec. roaring down the last schuss to stop the clock in 1min 21.98sec. This was 1.22 secunds behind Miss

Hardly had the excitement died down when Miss Preuss (start number 46) announced herself at number 46) announced herself at the intermediate point in 49.51sec. In the event she could not quite catch the Canadian, but, les majeste knowing no bounds, she pushed Mrs Moser back yet another place. At that point Val d'Isère was given over to an orgy of North American mutual congratulation, reinforced by Hollie Flanders's tenth place for the United States.

Flanders's tenth place for the United States.

Miss Graham, her fresh open face aglow, reminded us of her second place in last year's British championship, but her strength, rather, is slalom and giant slalom. She had run only one previous world cup downhill, at Lake Placid last year, when she fluished twentieth. She explained that she badbeen out of control today for most tieth. She explained that she had been out of control today for most of the race, but "that's when you're going best. If you ski under control in a downhill you ski dow". She had done well in training and had hoped to get in the first 10 but "this blows the mind".

Muss Preuss, who has the in-teresting pedigree of an East Ger-man father and a West German mother, said much the same thing. She had been "all over the place but I knew I was flying". She too had expected to do well but "beating Annemarie is real neat".



The two British skiers, Valentina Hiffe and the 16-year-old Kirsten Cairus, finished thirty-sixth and fifty-fourth respectively, about five and seven seconds behind the winner. If that sounds modest, winner. If that sounds modest, Miss Illfte's average speed over the 2,276 metre course was nearly 60 mph, Miss Cairus's just over 58 mph, Miss Nadig, an utterly fearless double Olympic champion, averaged more than 63 mph.

The French hope, Caroline Attia. aged 19, dislocated a shoulder pushing off at the start and still finished the course in 1min 23.76sec for twentleth place. Her speed exceeded 60 mph. As the saying goes, you don't have to be made to ski but . . But what courage from a slip of a girl less than 5ft in height and 7ist in weight.

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. United States, pp.: 2. Switzerland, 38; 3. Canada.; 4. Austrie. 19; 5. Licchenstein. 10. Cochastyrakia. 9; 7. West Germany. 8. Franco. 4.

Ambitious Nash seeks | Maximum world title chance

From Srikumar Sen

Boxing Correspondent

Copenhagen, Det 5

It is, a long way from Derry to all British affair, 23-year-old Chagow via Copenhagen, where two could be the man at the Moant British boxers, Charile Nash (20 wins and one defeat) the first meeting between two could be the man at the Moant Cherry) and Ken Buchanan (Bdinburgh), on foreign soil is being ambitious, eager and above all burgh), on foreign soil is being appried that Wait and publicity staged.

But Nash, who is defending his could give him the edge over the European lightweight title against Scotland's former world light.

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But Nash year under the wings

to meet him. Buchanau will clearly have a say in this. If either boxer wins well there could be official pressure on the World Boxing Council to make Watt defend.

However Watt's manager, Terry Laviess, told me earlier in the week that it is most unlikely that the winner of this contest will ever meet his man at the Kelvin Hall because there is no mours in it. meet his man at the Kelvin Hall because there is no money in it. American television is not innerested in Nash or Buchanan. But he said he might consider a meeting with the winner at Hampden Park in the spinmer, assuming he can get someone to underwrite the contest. Of course, much also depends on the plans of Alexis Arguello, of Nicaragua,

weight champion thinks that if he bests the Scor convincingly here at Sroendbyhallen tomorrow might, of Mogens Palle, the Danish prove might have found a short cit moter who is putting on this stown to the Kelvin Hall. Glasgow, where the world champion. Jim Watt, the has not boxed outstanding the world champion. Jim Watt, the has not boxed outstanding the world champion. Jim Watt, the has not boxed outstanding the world champion. Jim Watt, the has not been convincing. His famous jab is still there but the sharpness is missing. Buchanan if he bears Buchanan (whom he recognizes as number one ha Scot though at 34 that stride must be land) he will be better recognized and public opinion will force Watt to being worried that he may have to meet him. Buchanan will clearly wars away from the ring. taken on Nash too early after four years away from the ring.
Buchauan may have to set the pace early, in the hope of putting, a sizeable lead away in the bank to draw on in the later stages. For Nash, a waiting game seems the better tactic because the Scot's stamina is suspect.

Uganda's world champion, Ayub Kalule, defends his six-week old WBA thie, against Steve Gregory of United States, here on the same bill: Gregory says he does not have a big punch but his record, 14 out of his 20 wins coming inside the distance, and a film of one of his bouts shown on Danish relevision, suggests the contrary.

effect with least effort

The world ranked Philadelphian The world ranged Panadespassa heavyweight Jimmy Young, who beat the British champion John. L. Gardner on points after putting him on the canvas in the 10th round at Wembley, gave all three British world title aspirants on the same card, Charile Magri, Dave Green, and Cardner himself, but Magri in particular, a lesson in energy conservation and punchour magn in paracular, a leason in energy conservation and puniching technique, Sri Kmuer Sen writes. Though many of Young's punches were with galf closed gloves, most of the ones that connected had medimum effect with the least effort.

The out of condition Young, with swear pouring from his body, leaned on the ropes like All and covered up, forcing Cardiner to make the moves. The Briton waded in as if the American was a punchbag, but it was a painful experience when the has stronged

the least effort.

Magri should also note Young's lesson for he, too, was using Maduel Carrasco whom he beat on points in his European flyweight title defence, as a punchbag. By the fourth round after his opponent had absorbed everything Magri could dish out, the Stepney man was spent like Gardner and because of this, was vulnerable to the knockour punch.

Dave Green beat Dick Ecklund Dave Green beat Dick Ecklund of the United States, but the decision was received with boos.

Racing

Autonomous virus unit may soon be here

Racing Correspondent Arguably the most worrying problem facing the racing industry in England today is not VAT, but the many forms of virus that create havoc from time to time by totally disrupting the day-to-day activity of whole stables thus undermining the very structure of

But no good comes of simply doing nothing and complaining. Action is imperative and at long last the racing world in this last the racing world in this country has an opportunity to get off its backside and help by making a contribution, however small, towards the cost of a viral diagnostic unit which, it is hoped, will be built soon at the Animal Health Trust laboratories near Newmarket. If a virus in whattver form is to be combated diagnosis is essential and at present racing has to lean much too heavily on the animal virus research inthe animal virus research in-stitute at Pirbright where they are grossly overworked.

To relieve that workload it is essential that the racing industry

has a unit of its own and it was with that goal in mind that Lord Porchester launched an urgent appeal for money at Newmarket resterday. Thanks to big contribu-tions from Sir Michael Sobell, Robert Sangster, the Bustino Syndicate, Fred Barker and the National Trainers Federation, Lord Porchester has already been

able to whip up £100,000

It transpires, however, that due to inflation and one or two other things another £50,000 is needed to ensure that a unit which will be the first of its kind in Europe, and the constructed withle another than the constructed withle and the first of its kind in Europe, and the constructed withle and the constructed with the constructed withle and the constructed withle and the constructed withle and the constructed withle and the constructed with the constructed with the constructed withle and the constructed with the constructed withle and the constructed with the construct constructed within an existing building owned by the Animal Health Trust in time for it to be fully operational in the Yesterday Lord Porchesthis year's Princess Elizabeth Equine Research Station's Stakes and Musidora Stakes win-

ner, Rimosa's Pet, Mr Cooper was acting on the instructions of Cap-tain Tim Rogers, the owner of the Airlie Stud, to name but one of his properties in Ireland. Captain Rogers and plenty of ammunition to play with yesterday because by the time Rimosa's Pet ennered the ring the Airlie Stud had already netted about £500,000 selling foals and mares at this sale. Incidentally, Captain Rogers tolld me yesterday that he had just acquired a controlling interest in the Champion Stakes winner.

director, Brain Singleton; Charles Frank, who is himself a leading veterluary surgeon, besides being chairman of BRIC and Peter Rossdale, a leading local vet, all stressed how crucial it was for racing to have its own unit.

The purpose of esti-lishing the unit will be to provide facilities for the Isolation and identification of viruses which cause respiratory problems in horses, particularly horses in training; to assist in the better understanding of the incidence and the spread of these diseases and to link with research being undertaken on teh various blood changes which are associated with viral infections.

"This is an opportunity", Lord Porchester said, "for all members of the racing world to help themselves and I hope that their response will be immediate lust acquired a continuing interest in the Champion Stakes winner. Northern Baby, who will remain in training next year before being retired to one of his studs. By Troy's sire, Petingo, Rim-osa's Pet was one of the final draft of the Clore dispersal, which in all realised more than £1,600,000. Five lots earlier, an-other of the draft, Sweet Preten-der, had fetched 64,000 goineas. themselves and I hope that their response will be immediate because it is vital. Anyone interested in supporting this infinitely worthwhile cause—and they need not be simply interested in racing because the whole cause—order. Earlier in the afternoon we witnessed a classic duel between Cooper and his former partner, Tim Vigors—who, as things turned out, were standing only inches apart—for L'Engadine, a half sister to Green Dancer by that great American racehorse, Secretariat, With so much American because the whole equine world whether the interest be confined to posies, hunting, eventing or show jumping, will benefit—can send their donations to teh Director of the Animal Health Trust, Lanwades Hall, Kennet, near tariat. With so much American blood in her yeins it cannot really blood in her veins it cannot really have been all that surprising that it was the dollar that had the last say. Cooper's final bid of 185,000 guineas clinched the issue and bought the filly on behalf of Marshall W. Jenney, who owns the Derry Meeting Farm in Pennsylvania. Tattersalls December Sales took offagain yesterday afternoon when first horses owned by International Bloodstock and then yet more sold by direction of the executors of the late Sir Charles Clore, went

the late Sir Charles Clore, went through the ring. In each instance the highest price was paid by that much respected figure in bloodstock circles, the seemingly ageless and ever colourful Tom Cooper, who presides over the Irish branch of the British Bloodstock Agency with such style. When he bid 200,000 guineas for this year's Princess Elizabeth Mr Jenney seemed somewhat shellshocked at having just spent so much money. However, his day was made later on when he heard that Mrs Penny, a filly that he bred and sold at Saratoga last year, had been given 9 st 5 b in our Free Handicap, only 2 lb below the top-rated horse, Morneyerdi.

Crump on winning trail

By Michael Seely Not much interest was shown yesterday in the ante-post betting on the Massey-Ferguson Gold Cup. the highlight of Cheltenham's meeting on Saturday. Fred Win-ter's Roller-Coaster was the only horse to shorten in price, his odds being cut from 8-1 to 7-1 with William Hill's. Racing takes place on a low key

at Ayr and Taunton this afternoon.

Pssibly the best wager may be
Peaty Sandy in the Skeldon Handiap Hurdle at the Scottish fixture. The five-year-old won a similar race by five lengths at the recent Newcastle meeting, and a 4th penalty may not prevent him from following up that success. following up that success.

Peaty Sandy is trained by Mrs
Susan Chesmore who has moved
from her former quarters on the
banks of Loch Lomond to Melrose
in Roxburghshire. As in his recent
victory, Peaty Sandy will be ridden
by Len Lungo. Formerly a member
of Scotland's jumfor show jumping
team, he now combines the job of
being the landlord of the Star Inn

in Damfries with that of being a professional jockey.
Also at Ayr, Neville Coump can continue on the winning trail with Sparkle's Choice in the Lorimer's Brewery Novices Chase (qualifier). Sparkie's Choice may have been a trille lucky in his latest victory at Newcastle, as he was being hard pressed by Peterhol for the lead when the subsequent Sedgefield winner fell at the last.
However, there was not the sem-However, there was not the sem-blance of a fluke about the skr-year-old's previous 10 lengths success in the Charlie Hall Mem-orial Pattern Chase at Wetherby. Duc de Bolebec, twice a winner in minor company before being hought down by a failer at Hay-dock Park last week, would ap-ner to represent the ordy compear to represent the only con-ceivable danger.

The safest bet at Taunton may be Farmer in the second division of the Bicknoller Novices Hurdle. Farmer beat Ulmar by the length of a street at Wincanon recently, and his victim may prove capable of taking the first division of this

Tommy Joe's Newbury aim

away from Gone Out to win by 20 lengths. Ousky, the only other runner, was remounted by Jonio O'Neill to finish a bad third. Handicap Steeplechase at Ayr yesterday and will probably try for nother victor yi nNewbury's Carmody brought the acre to 33 when Tricky Victoria led approaching the last to land the second division of the Lagg from Trearrie. Tricky Victoria, a four-year-old, is trained at Newmarket by Neville Callaghan and looks a smart sort for winter rac-Mandarin Steeplechase on Decem-Tommy Carmody held Teamy Joe up in the early stages, allowing Ousky to bowl alonging front, but at the eleventh Ousky toppled over. Tommy Joe took the lead at the fourteenth, an dwen right

Sparkie's Choice can keep | Weighty argument on Monteverdi hopes

The publication of the weights for the Tote Free Handicap, the official assessment of the merits of last season's two-year-olds, yesterday confirmed the widelyresterday confirmed the widely-held opinion that the 1979 crop did not not produce one outstand-ing young horse. Geoffrey Gibbs, the Jockey Clob Handicapper, has placed nine colts and fillies within a range of 3th at the top.

a range of 310 at she top.

Heading the list with 3st 720 is the unbeaten Monneverdi, winner of the Dewhurst Stakes. Vincent O'Brien's coit has the debloos honour of following in the hoofprints of Try My Best (also trained by O'Brien) and Trmos, who both pdoduced fireworks in winning the Dewhurst, rocketed to the top of the Free Handicap, but fizzled out like damp squibs the following year. However, it would be a bold

Handicap, but fazzled out like damp squits the following year.

However, it would be a bold man who predicted the same tate for Monteverdi, who heads the bookmakers lists for the 2,000 Guineas and the Derby in 1980. Monteverdi certainly impressed my colleague, Michael Phillips, as being a potential classic winner when he strode away from Tyrnavos and Romeo Roman in the Dewhurst. In his opinion, however, the Derby would seem to be better suited to Monteverdi's talems than the Guineas.

Bearing this in mind, the 10-1 offered by the Tote for the Derby could be good value, certainly more attractive than the 5-1 offered by the same firm for the Guineas. Having said that, however, the point must be made that hetting on races such as these which are several months away very rarely makes sense.

A classic example occurred only last year when money poured on Tromos for the Guineas on the strength of his brilliant two-year-

old form. Alex. Bird, that most respected of professional backers, joined the gold rush and said just before Tromos made his first appearance as a three-year-old in Newmarker's Craven Stakes that he would be disappointed if Tromos did not "win by six lengths going away". Tromos was arounced by Lyphard's Wish and did not even run in the Guineas: Such is the stuff of which mightmares are made. Henry Cecil, who has two in the top nine—Super Asset (9st 6b) and Hello Gorgeous (9-4) said first he was surprised that they had not been placed the other way not been placed the other way round. The Tote and William Hill, who both place Monteverdi at the head of their Guineas and Derby markets, agree with Cecil and there is little doubt that of the two, Hello Gorgeous has shown by far the better turn of foot.

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Perhaps the most surprising features of the Free Handicap, however, is the exalted position of the fillies, Mrs Penny and Millingdale Lillie, winner and runner-up in the Cheveley Park Stakes. Doubtless they are two useful fillies, but some will doubt that they are on a par with the Middle Park winner, Known Fact, who has been placed on the same mrak of 9st 51b as Mrs Penny and only a pound above Millingdale Lillie. Yesterday also saw the announce-

pound above Millingdale Lillie.
Yesterday also saw the annoucement by the William Hill Organisation of the firm's spousorship for 1980, which will total almost a quarter of a million pounds.
Hills are to maintain, among other important races, their backing for the hig four two-year-old events—the Cheveley Park, Middle Park, and Dewhurst Stakes and the William Hill Futurity—and are introducing a new event, the fill,000-Sir Charles Clore Memorial Stakes at Newbury. As Hills themselves say this is a valuable contribu-

worried about racing continuing to depend on subsidy, as the Royal Commission on Gambling warned last year.

The new event at Newbury will be for three-year-old fillies and replaces the Sandleford Priory Stakes, which was won by Scintil-Stakes, which was won by Schilliate the year before her victory in the Oaks. Perhaps the most eyebrow-raising announcement by Bills, however, was that the race will be run on May 18—a Sundey. Racing on the Sabbath is obviously imminem—why is it that bookmakers always seem to know more than the rest of us! Yet another eagerly-awaited (by the bookmakers) event yesterday was the unveiling of the weights for the Lincoln Handicap, that

nasty little curtain-raiser to the season that is guaranteed to rock most of us back on our neels

But enough of cynicism, back to the happy business of trying to find a long-priced winner. There is no obvious flaw in the handlcap, but Hills have prebably pushed one with as good a chance as any to the top of their ame post list in Northleach. Winner of seven races last season and a thoroughly genuine and consistent performer, Northleach appears to be very reasonably treated with \$st 316. John Dunlop, his trainer, said that he was well-pleased with that weight and that the kolt would almost certainty take his chance. At only 16-1 with four months to go, however.

STATE O FGOING (official): Ayr: Soft, Tauminn; Good, Tomorrow: Cheitenham; good, Newcastie: Soft. OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: All en-Repuntants (dead): Golden Lava, Cheiten Boy, Orchid Man, Master

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Taunton programme

1.15 CHARD HURDLE (Selling: £397: 2m 3f)

3-1 Pin Tuck. 4-1 Warrick Fiver. 5-1 Zonia. 13-2 Complicity. 8-1 Crisis. 9-1 Silphnot. 10-1 Solonville, 12-1 Two Mile House. 16-1 others 1.45 AXMOUTH STEEPLECHASE (Div II: Novices: £1,061: 2m)

Ayr results

Staryour K. O'Tooles, 5-10-6
D. Turnbull (seeps fav. 1
Tappy Lappy M. Barnes (15-2) 2
My Star Husser
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Miss B. Olver (20-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Another Joyful,
12-1 Yellow Star (44h), 1-1-1 What A
Coup, 16-7 Tam's Led, 20-1 Bogne
Moss, Press Genze, 9 ras.
TOTE: Win, 20: places, 376, 12a,
22b, Dual F 450 CSF: 750, K,
Oliver, at Hawick, 21, 15. 1.0 (1.0) VULMIDAS TROPHY CHASE (Handism: 51.51); 2m)

2.0 (2.1) DUNURE CHASE (Handkad): Fontwel Park

Maile Bandy J. J. O'Nem (140-1) at ALSO RAN: 5-2 Robble's Park, 13-1 Subara Star (2), 13-1 Lifeth Boy (3in, 25-1 Green AB ff), 7 rgs.

TOTE: Win, 550: 94ccs, 15p, 25b; dna! 59ccs, 15p, 25b; dna! 59ccs, 15p, 25b; R. Goldle, at Dundonaid, 5l, 7l. (Handleap: F1.31: 2m)

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ALSO RAN: 11-4 Golden Lancer

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Osin 25-1 Daily: Bullgreet (2th), 3

MandyCuffe, b.g. by Manucle—Bisks Rage (A. Scott), 7-11-7

The Go-Rey ... N. Baimer (3-4)

Only two Fan.

TOTE: Win, 15p. Spreet, 20p. 15p.

Callagham, at Newmarkel, 12h. 4-1

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12.15 AXMOUTH STEEPLECHASE (Div I : Novices : £1,063 : 2m)

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2 040-102 All Right Jack, D. Gandolfo, 6-11-6 P. Barton
5 5-90000 Arelic Flyer, F. Yardloy, 6-(11-6 N. Tinkler
7 p0-00 Celife Wings, G. Clay, 6-11-6 N. Tinkler
9 1-00217 Caunty Down, C. James, 6-11-6 D. Jackson, 7
10 00-6 Freeding Mill. T. Puriler, 7-11-6 D. Jackson, 7
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By Michael Seely 12.30 Benowen. 1.0 Border Brig. 1.30 PEATY SANDY is specially recommended. 2.6 Sparkle's Choice. 2.30 Quapromise. 3.0 Lime House.

AYT RESULTS

Vesterday

Tommy Joe. b 6. by Ballyloy—
Rechogue 'J. Laurie', 9-10-11

T. Carmody '1-2 (av)

Gone Out '... C. Grant '15-2)

Novices 2717 '2m'

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Sarricone (K. O'Tooles, 5-10-6

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Micho Rahi: J. Kimil (11-2) 2

Physicist ... C. Rhains (12-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 3-1 Bershell (12-1) 3

TOTE: Win, 31p: places, 22p. 25p:
Daal F. Clob: CSF: E2-83.

Dadyson, at Warminster, M. T.L.

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Weish Jester [9], 12-2 Bill Hobbis,
Strong Hand (5th), Clommilian (9),
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16-1 Nigrical (3th), Clommilian (9),
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TOTR: Win. 220: pieces. 200, 189. Free Handicap

12.30 OED TOLL HURDLE (Handicap : £830 : 2m) 1 10-3242 The Go-Eoy (D), J. Wilson, 5-12-7
3 3130-00 Second Time Lucky (D), T. Fairburst, 4-11-4. A
5 9-0 Amunn Glow (D), N. Chamberian, 6-10-15. D
6 2-94072 Encourum (D), K. Fisher, 4-10-11. G
7 2-94072 Encourum (D), K. Fisher, 4-10-11. G
8 0042 Haffey Stawers (D), W. A. Stophersson, 6-10-7. J
7 2-94074 Haffey Stawers (D), W. A. Stophersson, 6-10-7. J
10 40-30-00 Mackey Walls (D), W. Young, 5-10-0. G
11 90- Amazos Ruler, T. Dalgetty, 6-10-0. T. V
3-1 Second Time Linky, 7-2 The Go-Roy, 4-1 Allex Stanyards, 5-1.0 HAMILTON-CAMPBELL CHASE (Handicap: £1,345: 23m) 2 12-0214 Border Bris (D), R. Brewis, S-10-11 Mr Brewis, 7 20-040 Arctic Chanenge, N. Crump, 9-10-9 Mr Craggs 4 5 2-0902 Resistation, V. Thompson, 9-10-5 Mr Walton 4 40-020 Foreign Field, F. Oliver, 9-10-0 R. Lamb G. Grani 4 11-8 Border Bris, 5-2 Retailation, 4-1 Arctic Challenge, 5-1 Foreign Field, 16-1 Westher All. 1.30 SKELDON HURDLE (Handicap: £1,418: 2m 6f)

2 p-034 Prints of Peasers, N. Callaghan, 6-11-9 T. Carmody
4 0400-40 Mark Henry (D), W. Elsty, 8-11-3 6-11-9 T. Carmody
5 010220 Kirwasph (CD), G. Richards, 11-10-8 D. Brownless
7 3pp-001 Pearly Sandy (CD), Mrs S. Chesmore, 6-10-5 D. Brownless
8 12002-4 Pelars Laddie, R. Goldis, 6-10-0 Mr Robertson 4
7-4 Pearly Sandy T-prince of Pleasure, 5-11 Kirwangh, 6-1 Polars Laddie,
10-1 Mark Henry, 12-1 Skiddaw View 2.0 LORIMER'S BREWERY CHASE (Novices' qualifier: £1,128:

2.30 GLAISNOCK HURDLE (Novices: 3-y-o: £707: 2m)

3.0 BRAEHEAD HURDLE (Maidens: £801: 2m 6f)

TOTE: win, 455; places, 349; 850, 769, Dual F: £1.41, CSF: £2.28, N. Henderson at Lambourn. 34, 44. TOTE DOUBLE: Lintan and News, Surphylag Price, and Pospous Prace, £31, TACKPOT: £557.50, PLACEPOT: £12.75.

Lincoln Handicap

Show jumping SHOW JUMPING

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SYDNEY: women's classic, first round: Miso 5, Waich (US) beat Miso D. Evers (Australia). 6—4: 6—5. Second round: Miso S. Barker (US) beat Miso C. O'Niell (Australia) 6—5. 6—6: Miso E. Miso E. Miso (US) 7—5. 6—4: Miso R. Marsinva (Czerboslovaina) beat Miso R. Marsinva (Czerboslovaina) beat Miso H. Sato (Ispan) 6—5. 6—4: Miso W. Turnbull (Australia) beat Miso M. Miso M. Turnbull (Australia) beat Miso M. Miso Miso M.
SPORT—Squash rackets

Hteverdi hop

Briars and Robinson tread same path to national final

By Rex Beilamy
Squash Rackets Correspondent
The records will tell us that the
first British national squash
rackets championships for mendite first, anyway, in which professionals and anasteurs competed
together—was played at Abbeydale Park, Sheffield, was sponbored by Thorations the confect
tioners, carried a total of \$4,700
in prize money (\$1,000 for the
winner), and was won by Gawain
Briars or lan Robinson or December \$6, 1979.

The records will overlook the
conjucidence that the men contesting this evening's final turned
professional together only 10
mouths before the championship
and have the same coach and the
same manager.

As a schoolmaster and squash
coach, Malcolm Willstrop was
working at St. Peter's, York, when
the first met Robinson, a local boy,
Willstrop later moved to
Gresham's, Notwich, and there met
Briars, who was born near
and, and became a squash coach
at Abbeydale Park, Briars and
Robinson decided to work together under his stimulating
guidance Robinson went to live
in Sheffield. Briars commuted
from his Nottingham home. In
training, practice, and competition their careers have become

Top six trophies get gilt-edged support

The benefits and allied prob-lems of eponsorship were much in the minds of members of the Rughy League Council at their meeting at Salford yesterday. Fol-loudes furious mablic reaction to meeting at Salford yesternay, ru-lowing furious public reaction to the postponement of last Satur-day's John Player final, the coun-cil named a new date, January 5, and were rold rhast further im-portant sponsorship is Imminent.

The secretary general, David Orley, said that sponsors had been found for the championship and premiership and full details would be announced next week. This means that all the six major trophies of Rugby League — the county cups, the John Player, the BBC'S floodist competition, the Challenge cup, the championship and premiership — are sponsored. However, there have been some misgivings among clubs and supporters after last Saturday's postponement of the John Player event between Bradford Northern and Widnes.

and Widnes.

It was stated by Rugby League officials at the time that the league had "a contractual and moral obligation" to play the game on an afternoon when BBC TV were present. Last Saturday the BBC industrial dispute ruled this out.

on January 5, when TV cameras should be in action, the game will come at the end of the busy holiday period of matches for Bradford Northern and Widnes. But it is the best possible date

Also, by a st roke of luck.
Bridford Porthern and Widnes
are due to meet in a league fixture that day; so other opponens are not implied in fixture

Changes.

Mr. Oxiey said that the new assured the council that every assured the council that every precaution would be taken against the weather. He emphasized that, because the John Player had come into being directly as a result of sponsorship, the sponsors wishes had to be taken the account and the countral's clearly what for

On the question of the new sponsorship agreements for cham-pionship and premiership. Mr pionship and premiership. Mr Oxley said they were "substan-tial" and would enable Rugby League to continue to give "a bealthy, live game "throughout the 1980s. Professional sport needed infusions of money to sur-vive and the new agreements would give much-needed security to the game.

to the game.

The match will be played at Swinton, the original choice of ground, and with the same appointed referee, Eilly Thompson. The council voted heavily against a proposal that children and pensioners should be charged full admission price.

Wigan rugby league club's assistant coach, David Willicombe, a former Great Britain centre, has resigned after two months through

Time for the building societies to change their image?

clearly less easily forgiven.

The association replies to this with the

analogy of competing greengrocers or scap manufacturers offering comparable

products. How far such analogies can be

taken, however, is open to argument.

The real difficulty of building societies in their modern and rather changed role

in their modern and rather changed role is that the interests of borrowers and investors are now almost completely unrelated. Half of the money on deposit belongs to investors who already fully own their homes, and a further quarter to excell who already have a mortage and

people who already have a mortgage and are thus past the stage of needing a down-payment. The societies still lend almost exclusively to finance house purchase or

improvement, but only a small proportion

The unprecedented increase in building society-interest rates to record levels has once again focused critical public attention on this peculiarly Eritish institution and fits role as the principal source of finance for house purchase.

The main criticisms are directed against the enormous and apparently endless proliferation of society offices and agencies; expensively competitive adver-tising of services which seem to vary hardly at all from one society to the next; and the nature of the mortgage contract itself, where one party is free to vary the terms unilaterally ten times in four years while the other, the borrower, has no choice but to succumb to a form of guerrilla warfare against his groaning The proliferation is undeniable. I had

only to walk the length of my local, straggling and not untypical "High Street" to count 17 building society signs. Six were branch offices and the rest estate agents and the like acting on behalf of various societies. Three societies had both forms of representation.

Why so many? The Building Societies Association says that growing competition

of the money they berrow from investors is related to that. The term "building society" is therefore something of a to be able to attract money. While the compenition between the societies and the banks and other con-. hetween the misnomer. tenders like National Savings is understandable, if sometimes regrettable from the borrower's point of view, competition

"We are really savings banks. It would be much easier if we were called savings and loon associations as in the United States", said a spokesman for the Building among societies themselves, in what began and is often still thought of as a "friendly" or "mutual" movement is Societies Association.

Would it help the British home-buyer If the societies went the way of continental building savings banks with their contractual relation between sovings and loans and their relative immunity from the fluctuations of the general money market? The association does not think so.

"Unfortunately, the cost of all loans in Britain is now very high. That apart, you find that the interest rate on home loans in Britain is near the bottom of the table for generally available loans. But in many other countries home loans are among the most expensive or at least above average."
Cold comfort, perhaps, but the British home-buyer is still better cushioned than

Dan van der Vat

Starbrook sure the British team will win medals in Moscow Olympics

'Special breed' of men who practise judo

His success—and that of Brian Jacks, Angelo Parisi and Keith Rendry—gave judo its biggest fillip in this country. There were about 40,000 people practing the sport in 1972", Starbrook said. "Then it rocketed to 70,000. It was mostly children that took it up and for a while we got the attention we deserved."

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Dave Starbrook retired from competition over three years ago, but he still fits the bill as "the iron man" of judo. David Starbrook, is co-manager (with Tony MacCommel) and stainer of the British team, and he retains the superb physique and powerful grip that won him a silver medal it the 1972 Minnich Olymphic Games and a brouze in Montreal four years later.

His success—and that of Brian Jacks, Angelo Parisi and Keith Remfry—gave judo its biggest fillip in this country. "There is rockered to There can hardly have been a There can hardly have been a superbolay of the man work with the man work of the man work all day and then train in the work all day and then train in the work all day and then train in the work all day and then train the work all day and then train to the work all day and then train to the work all day and then train the work all day and then train to the work all day and then train the work all day and then train to the work all day and then train the work all day and the work all

There can bardly have been a more dedicated British sportsman than Starbrook. In the monns leading up to the Munich Olympics the attention we deserved."

The interest judo attracted from television and the press in general for 12 hours in his newspaper shop did not last long, however. "Once we slipped from the screen we were virtually ignored. Big-money events get all the publicity now and as there is no company backing judo and me back-handers going, we are forgotten.

"If we win medals in Moscow and I am sure we will—we'll probably come back into the spotinght. But for how long? The world championships are being year the British Judo Association made him a sixth day, an award

His current concern, however, is to get our present-day stars ready for the coming world champiooshios, "We will see just how good they are this is their first real test. Neil Adams won the gold at the European championships and Ray Neeman and Paol Rad-burn are both improving fast. I think we'll do well."

Japan will do well."

Japan will propose three changes in the rules governing the referencing of international competitions when the International Judo Federation holds its congress on the eye of the 1979 world championships which start at the Pierre de Couvertin stadium in Paris today.

The changes concern the ban-

Paris today.

The changes concern the banning of the cuff grip or hold, penalties for intentionally leaving the mat or pushing an opponent off the mat and the extension of the present 30 seconds non-combativity time limit. Ichiro Abe, one of the two lampes delegates, emilsing is two Japanese delegates, explained:
"The cuff grip prevents the pro-per progress of holding tech-

inques and he hought there was a contradiction between the rules concerning the heikoku (warning) and chui (cauthou) penalities for competitors going outside of the contest area.

"We are also proposing that the 20 to 30 seconds non-commad their of the content of the content of the content of the content of the contest ", Mr Abe added. A simple majority is aspect of the contest", Mr Abe added. A simple majority is needed for the adoption of proposals. The federation has written to others about these proposals but without reply.

Also on the agenda is the presidential election. M. Matsmae, president of Tokai University and a committee member of the Ali-

a committee member of the All-Japan Judo Federation, is the only Japan Judo Federation, is the only candidate to challenge the outgoing president, Charles Palmer, of Britain, who has been in the chair since the 1964 Olympic Games in Tokyo when judo appeared on the Olympic programme for the first time with the contest being field in the grounds of the Imperial Palace. This year Japan expect to win at least four or five titles and the strongest competition should come from the Soviet Union. East Germany. Soviet Union, East Germany, Britain and France.

Mark, learn and digest with pleasure



Shona Crawford Poole

So many cookery books are published now that the choice is bewildering. Which of this year's crop will become trusted friends in the kitchen? It is hard to tell when good photography flatters dull dishes into looking better than they turn out to taste, and quiet pages of print hide manna. Nor is it easy to tell at a glance where crisp instructions gloss over tricky procedures, or painstaking explanation describes methods that are child's play.

Perhaps in the case of cookery books the reviews should be ericten long after publication, when friends have been chosen, ing dust on the bookshelves, and the rest have been carted off to Oxfam.

But as the immovable feast is upon us, presents must be bought. So, at risk of speaking too soon, here is a selection of this year's books which I do not readable. expect to donate to good causes

The Country Kitchen by Jocasta Innes (Frances Lincoln, Weidenfeld & Nicholson, £7.95).

"This book has been written for all those people who would like to have a go at drying mushrooms, making sausages, curing hams, smoking fish, brewing beer, pressing cheese . . if they could only find clear, practical instructions and the relevant information on how long it takes and whether, finally, it is worth the trouble." So says the dust jacket blurb and so it is. The Country Kitchen is beautifully illustrated. Christine Hanscomb's photographs make one long to own a country kitchen, and the drawings of Stewart Walton,

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The Complete Guide to the Art of Modern Cookery by A. Escoffier, translated by H. L. Cracknell and R. J. Kaufmann (Heinemann, £10.50).

This is the first complete translation of the fourth and fullest edition of Escoffier's Le Guide Culinaire published in 1921. Still the chef's bible, the definitive work on haute cuisine, is not a book for absolute beginners and was never intended to be But as a source intended to be. But as a source of inspiration and information it is in a class of its own. The new edition (646 pages) is simply and clearly laid out and exhaustively indexed. Its 5,000 entries range from sauce suprême to the bookmaker's sandwich. Every cook should

Dining with Marcel Proust:
A practical guide to French
cuisine of the belle epoque, by
Shirley King (Thames and
Hudson, £10.50).

Clear recipes for bourgeous dishes — croque monsteur through truffled partridge to barley sugar—with sepig illustrations, photographs and en-gravings, lavishly interspersed with quotes from Proust on food. As James Beard writes in the foreword: "Dining with Marcel Proust takes us back to traditions that sorely need re-vival. The connexion between Proust and food is a natural one. He is a man who dealt in sensations, exquisitely exa-mined, including those of the palate. In a celebrated passage,

rather than a cookery book. It covers cosmetics, remedies, dyeing growing, preserving, and much more, as well as food.

For windowbox gardeners it is a glimpse of a rural idyll. Acc cultivators will be sending for seed caralleque. seed catalogues.

Cooking On A Shoestring: A collection of delicious, nourishing and economical dishes for the discerning cook, by Gail Duff (Macmillan, £5.95). Economy cooking has a bad image, says Gail Duff, who has

set out to change it with a book of original and imaginative recipes. She does not bend the rules. Her ingredients really are the cheapest available rabbit, chicken, sprats, coley, tripe and the like. Following Fresh All Year and Gail Duif's Vegetarian Cookbook, Cooking On A Shoestring makes especially good use of sprouted seeds and inexpensive fruits.

■ Cuisine Of The Sun by Roger Verge (Macmillan, £8.95). Roger Verge describes his style of cooking as cuisine heureuse and it is. His recipes capture the Mediterranean sun. and his style is full of charm.

Dumas On Food translated by Alan and Jane Davidson (Michael Joseph, £10), selec-tions from Le Grand Diction-naire de Cuisine by Alexandre

Tony Kerins and Liz Butler add both information and decoration to the text. Two recipes from the book are given below.

The Herb and Spice Book by preface, "The book is the last work of one of the most coln. Weidenfeld & Nicolson, astonishing and colourful suthers of the nineteenth cena modern herbal with recipes, tury, it is one to which he studded with passages which make uniusing and instructive reading ".

How can one resist a book which tells us that the front paws of a hear were the part of the heast most highly prized in the days of widespread bear eating. Undaunted by the furore which followed an article on bear steaks written many years earlier than the dictionnaire, Dumas returned to the topic with relish. For good measure he describes in detail how to nc describes in detail now to cook them in the manner prac-tised by Urbain Dubois, the cook of Their Majesties of Prussia; briefly, the paws are marinated, casseroled, then coated with breadcrumbs and grilled. Dunas On Food is a mine of history. Sonce forces mine of history, fancy, fact and inconsequence for those who read cookery books in the bath.

The Cook Is The Captain by Neil Hollander and Haraid Mertes (John Murray, \$5.95). Sea-going cooks will relish this irreverent guide to the art of nautical catering. Storm food, dogwatch grogs, what to do with day's catch, and liferaft cooking are just some of the thoroughly practical chapters in this breezy collection.

M Chinese Regional Cooking by eh-Ta Hsiung (Macdonald, 5.95), Peking Shanghai, Sic Dumas (yes, of Three Musker-eers fame).

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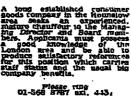
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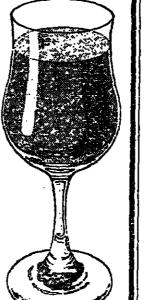
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First Slice Your Cookbook, By Arabella Boxer (Fontana Collins, £7.95). After eight years out of print there is now a breedcrumbs and nots into the second, revised edition of this fluffy whisked volk mixture. contemporary classic. Spiral bound and boxed, it is cut in three across the pages for ata-glance menu planning and easy use in the kitchen. It is a splendid dinner party book for people who want to serve good food without a flap. First Slice Your Cookbook helps the most inexperienced cook to feel competent and organized.

The following recipes are from The Country Kitchen, by Jocasta Innes, and both are handy standbys for Christmas enter-taining. The nutcake can be served as cake or pudding. I made it with almonds and the result was rich without being

Nutcake Serves 6 to 8 50g (20z) dry white bread-

2 tablespoons rum 150g (50z) caster sugar 5 eggs, separated

150g (5oz) chopped nuts, wainuts, hazlenuts, almonds, or a mixture

300ml (! pint) whipping or thick cream Make the breadcrumbs by whiz-

zing up stale bread in a grinder. Put them in a low oven for a few minutes to dry out. To make the cake, first mix half the rum with the breadcrumbs. In a bowl over a pan of hot water whisk the sugar and egg yolks till thick, creamy and a trail of the mixture dropped on top Holds its shape for a few seconds.

Whisk the egg whites till stiff then, using a metal spoon, gently fold the egg whites, trying not to crush the mixture as you blend. When well blended turn

gently into a greased, floured 20 cm (8 in) cake tin and bake in a moderately hor oven (190 deg C/375 deg F, gas mark 5) for between 45 minutes and one hour. Test with a skewer down the middle—if it comes our clean, the cake is done.

Cut in half and sandwich with slightly sweetened whipped cream flavoured with 1 tablespoon of rum and the same amount of chopped nuts.

As Jocasta Innes rightly says of potted cheese, it is "a deliclous spread for crackers, sand-wiches and savoury toasts (that nice Edwardian bachelor indul-gence) which can be made from stale odds and ends of cheese. Use a pungent cheese for pre-ference. It will keep for ages, sealed with clarified butter or

Potted cheese 450 g (1 (b) cheese 100 g (4 oz) butter

1 small glass sherry, port or teaspoon of grated nutmeg

A pinch of mustard powder or

curry powder (optional)

Pound the cheese (remove hard rinds), butter, sherry and sea-sonings in a mortar, or blend in a mixer. When smooth pack down into little jars or pots, seal the top with melted clarified butter or lard and cover with waxed paper and string. Store in a cool place.

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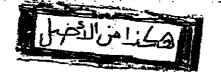
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Stock markets FT Ind 418.6, down 4.7 FT Gibs 64.28, down 0.24

- Sterling \$2.1785, down 1.55 Index 69.4, down 0.4
- Dollar Index 86.2, up 0.3
- Gold \$427 an ounce, down \$2
- 3-month money Inter-bank 16 11/16 to 16 13/16 Euro \$14 1/15 to 14 3/16

IN BRIEF

70 blocks offered in latest N Sea licensing

About 70 blocks are to be offered in the seventh round of licensing for oil and gas exploration on the United King-dom Continental Shelf, Mr David Howell, the Secretary of State for Energy, told the House of Commons yesterday.

Oil companies will be able for the first time to apply for blocks of their own choice in the well explored area of the North Sea containing the big.

Mr Howell is to discuss with the industry which other blacks are to be on offer. He is considering including blocks north and west of Shetland, and in the recently designated area north of the 62nd parallel, both of which are in deep water, the Moray Firth, the southern North Sea, the South West approaches, the Irish Sea and central and inshore areas of the English Channel.

New chief at Lazard

Mr Ian Fraser (below) who is to take over as chairman of Lazard Brothers on January 1 on the retirement of Mr David

Business Diary, page 23



Airfix reconsiders

Airfix Industries is to reconsider its decision to close the Meccano toy factory in Liverpool. The temporary reprieve for the factory and its 930 workers was announced after talks between Airfix manage-ment and union officials. Breathing space, page 22

Fewer U.S. visitors

United States visitors to Britain fell to 1.1 million in the first eight months of this year, a 14 per cent decrease on the same period a year earlier.

Microchip survey

A survey, conducted for the Department of Industry by Market and Opinion Research International on the potential impact of micro-processors, says that "neither the benefits nor the problems are likely to be as dramatic as people expect.".

Stewards successful

Shop stewards have had marked success in negotiating for themselves facilities recommended in codes of practice from the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service and the TUC, according to a survey by the Labour Research Depart

Italy raises bank rate Italy is raising its bank rate by three points to 15 per cent with effect from today.

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The Dow Jones industrial average rose over three points to close at 828.41. Turnover rose to 39 million shares from

8p to 176p 6p to 106p 41p to 140p 5p to 115p

produce £450m surplus on UK capital account

Cash inflows

Hot money inflows into Britain during the third quarter of this year more than offset the extra money which went overseas as a result of the sum-mer relaxation of exchange con-

trols.

Britain thus had a significant surplus of just over £450m on the capital account of the balance of payments between June and September.

Yesterday's payments figures also show that Britain's invisible trade was in surplus, of about £190m, during the third quarter. Barlier estimates had put the linvisibles in balance so the latest figures show a smaller current account payments deficit.

Invisible trade includes service of the same account payments deficit.

Invisible trade includes services such as tourism and some froancial transactions, including the Government's contributions

to the EEC.

The current account deficit for the three months is now put at £10m, rather than £311m. As the capital surplus exceeded this by £298m, there was a surplus for official financing. Exchange controls were finally lifted only at the end of October. However there were

significant relaxations in the rules in the Budget in June, followed by further changes in July.

These appear to have had an immediate impact on the financing of overseas investment and

thus on the balance of pay-British banks and companies which had borrowed overseas to which had borrowed overseas to finance foreign investment paid back some of this money in the third quarter, rather than bor-rowing more. This switch from raising the money overseas to financing foreign investment directly from Britain is thought

rowed something of the order of £200m to pay for portfolio investment overseas. Companies in the United Kingdom paid

stead of taking out new borrowing of the same order.

However, these extra outflows of capital from Britain were smaller than the inflows sucked into London in the three months. Much of this money came into british Government stocks, after the two-point Budget rise in Minimum Lending Rate in June. There were £630m of private purchases of Government stock from overseas. In addition official will be the stock of the cial holdings of Government debt rose by £212m.

Foreign central banks also deposited £208m in British banks and money markets between June and September.

It is against British policy to have an increase in the so-called sterling balances, the official sterling which overseas authorities hold in their reserves. These holdings can be volatile, as they were in 1975, and if reduced suddenly can lead to a plunge in the pound. The investable surpluses of the oil exporting countries went up sharply in the third quarter of this year after the jump in the oil price. This undoubtedly

accounts for some of the rise in overseas deposits in London Overall the Government estimates that there was a net inflow of about £1,300m into sterling deposits, British Government tester to the control of the contr ment stocks, and Treasury bills during the three months. There was a rise in the money sent home by immigrants in Britain after the relaxation of

controls on these in the Budget. This almost doubled, accounting for nearly all of the £70m in-crease in private sector transfers overseas.
Sterling dropped on the foreign exchanges yesterday, partly in reaction to the dollar's continuing rise. Against a basket

to account for a turnround of £1,100m in the capital account. British banks paid back £690m in the three months. Usually they would have bornamed compating of the order. of currencies the pound drop-ped 0.4 points to close at 69.4 per cent of its end-1971 value. The dollar continued to strengthen against most cur-rencies in fairly quiet trading

computer leasing loss at \$340m

By Our Insurance Correspondent

Estimates of the total losses which the Lloyd's insurance market faces-on computer leasing indemnity insurance have risen to \$340m (about £150m).

This is more than \$100m above Lloyd's estimate made earlier this year, and represents by far the biggest loss sustained by the market in its 300-year history.

The latest loss forecast ha been supplied by First National Bank of Boston, which is advising Lloyd's on its overall strategy in sending 13,000 claims which have flooded into the market.

Despite the latest estimate. there is still speculation among certain underwriters that the total figure could rise above \$500m. This follows news that Itel Corporation, the troubled American leasing group, is itself expecting to file claims more than

Claims cover arrangements made by leasing groups in recent years to insure against ending of leases by customers before contract dates.

The computer leasing saga has already caused much embarrassment to Lloyd's and put heavy pressure on a number of leading syndicates.

A Lloyd's spokesman said yesterday that the position had deteriorated since it last received a forecast of the likely overall loss last January, partly because of a decline in the estimate of future re-leasing values of equipment in-volved.

Most insurance risks written at Lloyd's run for one year and rates can be adjusted annually. However, an essential feature of computer leasing indemnity insurance was that individual risks ran for a period of up to seven years.

. As a result, underwriters have found themselves faced with up to five years acceptances to run off, and this is one of the main reasons why losses have turned out to be rday. much greater than the market would normally expect on one Table, page 24 class of business.

Lloyd's puts | Highland Distilleries reject bid by Canadian drinks group

A surprise £80m takeover bid for Highland Distillers, the Famous Grouse whisky group, has been launched by the Canadian drinks giant, Hiram Walker-Gooderham & Worts.

Setting the scene for a bitter takeover battle the Highland board said last night that the bid was totally unwelcome and would be strongly resisted.

Highland's shares, which stood at 99p before the offer, leapt to 140p—10p above the value of the offer. At the same time the bid

At the same mme the bid caused a flurry of activity in distillery shares on stock markets. Invergordon, Highland's rivals, jumped 19p to 206p, while Arthur Bell jumped 8p to 176p, and Tomatin added 13p at 185p. Hiram Walker, best known for its Canadian Club whisky

own Scotch whisky operations with brands including Ballan-tine's, Old Smuggler and Ambassador. The group, which sells 74 per cent of its products in North America, made net profits last year of \$96.9m (about \$44.5m) on sales of \$1,125m.

and Courvoisier cognacs, has its

This compares with profits from Highland in its last year of £4.6m.

Mr W. S. McCann, chairman of Hiram Walker's Scot-

tish division, said yesterday

Pilkington Brothers upset

the stock market yesterday by

unexpectedly lowering half-

yearly profits and asking

shareholders to put up £60m.

The shares fell 30p to 218p

The glass manufacturing company is making a one-for-

four rights issue at 200p, a 19

per cent discount on the over-

night price, and sweetening the pill a little with a one-third rise in dividends to 15p a share gross. The £60m issue is one of the largest this year

one of the largest this year and comes after calls of £78m from Grand Metropolitan,

570m from Standard Chartered.

Bank and £57m from Thomas

The weakness of the equity

Claim over

having been as low as 211p

By Ronald Pullen



John Macphail, chairman Highland Distilleries: bid

that his group had decided to go ahead with an offer despite a rebuff from the Highland board when it approached the group secretly at the end of last month.
Highland owns five malt dis-

tilleries in Scotland and an im-portant part of its business is selling the output of these to the blending trade. Hiram Walker is among Highland's customers but Mr

McCann seid that the main attraction was the Famous Grouse brand which has more

of rights issues to tail off recently and several companies

are thought to have given up

their place in the queue. But J. Henry Schroder Wagg, the

merchant bank underwriting the issue, claimed it had little

difficulty in arranging the sub-

underwriting.
Explaining the reasons for the issue, Pilkington said that it had spent heavily over the

last three years. Investment in this period had run at 190m,

mainly in float and safety glass plants around the world-

lass fibre plants in the United

ingdom and the acquisiton of

The group forecast it would spend £250m over the next three years and said that it

was desirable to increase the capital base to be "in a position

mic lens manufacturer.

£60m cash call from Pilkington

Kingdom whisky market. The Canadian group believes that it can assist development of the Famous Grouse brand worldwide.

The bid comes at a time

when independent distillers are facing particularly difficult financing problems as a result of higher borrowing costs.

Mait whisky takes five years
to mature and stock financing can be particularly onerous. A special complication facing

A special complication facing Hiram Walker concerns High-land's close links with a private company, Robertson and Baxter, its joint partner in the Fumous Grouse operation.

Highland has a 35 per cent stake in Robertson, which is 52 per cent owned by Edrington Holdings, whose chairman, Miss Ethel Robertson, is on the Highland board.

land board.

land board.

A Hiram Walker spokesman said yesterday that it remained to be seen whether Robertson would wish to continue its arrangements with Highland if the bid succeeded.

However, Mr J. A. R. MacPhail, chairman of Highland, said last night that under existing arrangements Highland would have to give up its stake in Robertson if a bid went through.

through,
"The Robertson group is not for sale at any price", he

opportunities to develop its world-wide business.".

This figure excludes the f120m Pilkington plans to spend on the acquisition of BSN-Gervais Danone announced

in September, which will make the group the largest flat glass maker in the world and provide

a firmer profits base when its substantial licensing income

runs out towards the end of the

Negotiations for this deal are continuing with BSN and still bave to run the gauntlet of the

of September showing a fall in pre-tax profits from £43.4m to £38.8m were way below stock market expectations, which

were pitched in the £44m-£49m

Half-year figures to the end

cartel authorities in Europe.

added.
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its airlines on Atlantic fare cartel From Frank Vogi

US to bar

Washington, Dec 5
The Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) intends to ban all participation by American airline companies in international conferences that coordinate rate setting for North Atlantic travel. The CAB stated: "It will terminate antitrust immunity for United States carriers to participate in the North Atlan-tic traffic conferences between the United States and Europe."
However, the CAB decided
not to challenge other International Air Transport Association (IATA; rulings that cover collective ratemaking for United States and foreign carriers. The

in two years' time.

The board sought to play down the importance of its decision by noting that for pas-senger services on the North

senger services on the North
Atlantic, most American airlines have already withdrawn
voluntarily from IATA.
All the same, today's ruling
represents another nail in
IATA's coffin, according to
some aviation experts they
were surprised that the board
did not decide to try and break were surprised that the board did not decide to try and break all rate-setting links with IATA. The board doubted whether IATA was essential for a smoothly functioning and efficient international airline system, but all the same it could have been harmful to lift anti-

trust immunity at this time
The CAB said that there was a danger such a move could have threatened the survival of small airlines in developing countries at this time. It added that such tough action "could lead to reactions (overseas by foreign airlines

against the American airlines) which might binder the movement toward a more competitive era in international avia-In deciding not to force a full break between United States airlines and IATA, the CAB outlined the criteria upon

which it would make its final IATA must conform its will-ingness to allow CAB members

to attend all rate setting conferences that affect American airlines, and must make clear in its rules that for all routes involving the United States, a new fare proposal by one air-line need not have to be first Financial Editor, page 23 approved by other members

Chancellor takes softer line on money control at NEDC meeting

A threatened breakdown in government and trade union relationships was averted at yesterday's meeting of the National Economic Development: Council.

The trade union delegation, led by Len Murray, the TUC general secretary, vented their anger about the Government's handling of the National Enter-prise Board during a "tough but not uncompromising" but not uncompromising a debate on the economy.

debate on the economy.

But a conciliatory approach taken by the meeting's chairman, Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor, to general economic policy prevented the breach from widening. Sir Geoffrey suggested he was prepared to compromise on the application of monetary control, which has been strongly criticized by trade unionists as being too ripid.

The Chancellor said yesterane unancenor said yester-day that he was prepared to discuss how monetary control should be applied. He also agreed that monetarism alone was not enough and that alter-natives must be sought.

naives must be sought.

The Government generally supported industry's drive for increased productivity but there was no one factor which would achieve this. Sir Geoffrey said: "I cannot defy the laws of economic gravity and become an economic hang glider." A major lesson of recent years has been the ineffectiveness of overall economic policies that have failed to pay sufficient revard to the prob-

policies that have failed to pay sufficient regard to the problem of supply.

The meeting produced a wide measure of agreement on the gloom of the country's short and medium term prospects and also on the main objectives of an economic policy. It was the first opportunity for industrialists, government and trade unionists to discuss gen-

3p to 43p 3p to 20p 20p to 240p 6p to 118p 13p to 185p



Mr David Basnett: compar-ability is also important

eral economic topics since the election and the expectation is that it was sufficiently construc-tive to become the forerunder of others. Wide differences in attitudes

were aired frankly. Len Murray

accused the Government of Competitive deflation saying that the dismal economy was not only undesirable, but also unnecessary—even if the Con-federation of British Industry thought it was inevitable. On pay, Mr Murray said it was impossible for trade unionists to take a "one-eyed approach" to wage settlements. But the three sides were agreed that the three sides were agreed that there was no room for an incomes policy or a pay norm even though it would be difficult to move to unfer-

tered bargaining after more than a decade of incomes In his background paper to he meeting Sir Geoffrey said that there was now general agreement that an institutional-

By Our Industrial Editor

British Shipbuilders to

influencing expectations was "mere exhortation". The CBI urged the Govern-

edly stressed that the prime responsibility for improving industrial performance rests with management and employ-

mendations at company level would be steeped up.

Setting the tone for yesterday's meeting during the economic debate in Parliament last week, Sir Geoffrey made it plain that he thought the

ized "incomes policy" was not a realistic answer to inflation because it introduced distor-tions and hampered the flexible allocation of resources.

Both the CBI and the Govern ment are pressing for pay settlements related to a com-pany's ability to pay. But Mr David Basnett, the general secretary of the National Union of General and Municipal Workers, pointed out that comparability was also an important component in wage negotia-tions. The trade unionists said they thought the CBI plea for trade union assistance in

ment to influence pay expecta-tions and to make the public more aware of limited economic choices by entering the public debate. Mr James Prior, Secresaid he was taking an initiative on employee involvement and communication.
The Government has repeat

ees at companies and plants. But yesterday Sir Geoffrey said that he regarded the NEDO's tripartite Sector Working Par-ties as valuable in identifying particular industry needs. Mr Len Murray said some trade unionists were dis-illusioned about the effective-ness of the Sector Working Parties, but he was assured that the drive to carry our present working party recom-

discussion was important and that he hoped to be able to build on it.

shed 1,400 workers At the Type ship repair group, about 520 workers will lose their jobs, while Vosper shiprepairers at Southampton will lose nearly 400 workers. By Our industrial Editor

British Shipbuilders yesterday announced that 1,400 ship repair workers in the state sector are to lose their jobs with the adoption of a recovery strategy for the industry.

Hardest hit areas will be Type-ido and the River Thames. The curbacks form part of a programme designed to put repairing on to a commercial footing. The labour force is being reduced to just over 5,200, Mr Eric Mackie, the corpora-

tion's managing director for ship repair said: "It is a strategy for recovery to bring us out of the present recession and into a better future." British Shipbuilders began a review of ship repair earlier this year and has examined a variety of methods of improving the financial and competi-tive position of the repair com-

1977 fire halts talks on merger By Rosemary Unsworth Merger talks between Richard Costain and Whessoe, the Darl-ington-based engineering group,

were discontinued when Whes-soe disclosed that it had received a claim from the Qatar Petroleum Producing Authority over a fire at a natural gas liquid storage plant in 1977. News of the claim, which is for an unspecified amount, pushed Whessoe's share price, restored yesterday, down 52p to 88p. A Shell company is also involved in the claim and intends to contest it.

Lord Erroll of Hale, Whes-Lord Erroll of Hale, Whessoe's chairman, said yesterday
that the matter is highly complex and may take years to
resolve. "If any proceedings
are brought, Whessoe intends
to defend them vigorously", he
said. But Costain, which controls almost 15 per cent of
Whessoe, notified the board
that it does not intend to proceed with an offer for the remainder of the shares.
Costain said that it would re-Costain said that it would review its Whessoe holding "in due course" and stressed that it

must impracticable for the pre-sent talks to continue, although it regarded Whessoe's business as attractive to the group. Qatar Petroleum has indi-cated that it plans to claim damages against the Shell company and Whessoe for the cost of re-placing the plant and for all losses from the fire and an earlier rupture in 1976.

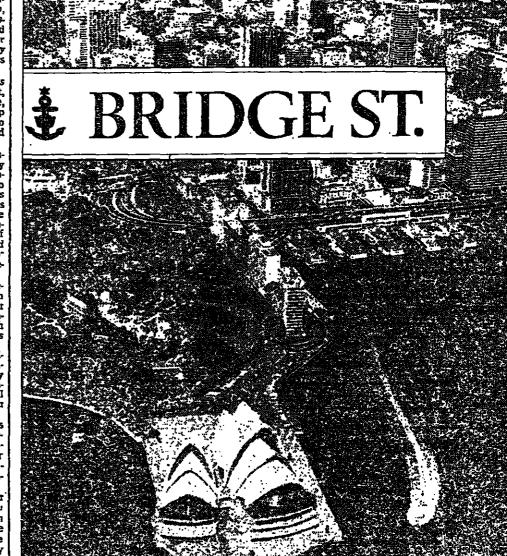
The liquified storage tanks

for the installation were sup-plied and constructed by Whes-soe in 1972 and 1973 under contract from the Shell company, which was acting on behalf of Quar Petroleum.

Whessoe also announced that its pre-tax profit for the sear to September 29, 1979, had fallen from £2.89m to £1.37m because of a further reduction in the already inadequate activity within the United Kingdom heavy engineering operating units. Sales value of work com-pleted also dropped from 151m to £72.6m during the year. But the group added that with 284m contracts for components of two twin reactor AGR power stations, there would be more activity on the heavy engineer-ing side for several years to

come.
Although all three of the United Kingdom heavy engin-eering groups produced lower trading profit than last year, the Irish and Nigerian subsidi aries performed well as did Airon Power, the Canadian subsidiary of Aiton. Despite the British problems, heavy engin-sering and Aiton achieved new records in orders and size of contracts within a group total of £155m for the year, said Lord Erroll. A final dividend of 5.5p gross, has been recommended, making a total of 8.57p com-pared with last year's 7.9p.

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side and the River Thames. Ship repairing by the corpora-tion on the Thames will effec-THE POUND Bank sells 19.80 197.00 1.69 143.00 9.08 3.46 2.17 45.00 tively cease when redundancies affecting 450 workers are imsells 1.96 26.90 62.00 2.53 11.62 8.05 8.82 3.76 90.00 19.65 Norway Kr. 11.30-Portugal Esc. 112.00 South Africa Rd. 1.82 Spain Ptz. 150.00 Sweden Kr. 9.48 Switzerland Pt. 3.68 USA 5 2.23 Yngoslavia Dur. 48.00 plemented. The corporation considered a plan to concentrate on repair at Tilbury, but this was not considered viable. The losses on the operation on the: Thames have continued to be a drain on corporation finances, despite efforts to reduce the labour force and push up pro-

PRICE CHANGES

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Iran's stake in Eurodif nuclear plant frozen

Iran's 10 per cent stake in the European Eurodif plant for producing enriched uranium has been frozen at the company's request, because of Iran's decision not to go ahead with the nuclear nower programme. its nuclear power programme, reliable sources said in Paris.

Difficulties between Iran and Eurodif arose in June, when Iran ceased paying its share of joint investment costs totalling some \$5,000m (about £2,283m), for construction and develop-ment of a uranium enrichment

In addition, Iran has cancelled orders for nuclear plants placed in West Germany and France.

It was clear from this Iran would not fulfil its commitment to take 10 per cent of produc-tion from the new Tricastin corichment plant from 1981. This development is expected to affect the profitability of the plant, as by 1982 it is scheduled to produce enough enriched tranium to supply about 100 nower stations.

Banks pessimistic

Belgium's Association of Banks says that it sees no quick solution to "the fundamental problems" to the country's economy, and predicts that the faltering 1978-79 recovery would end next year.

Bonn steel output down West German crude steel production feli 4.6 per cent to 3.87 million metric tons in November from October, according to preliminary figures released by the Federal Statistics Office. Daily

production dropped 1.2 per cent to 138,500 tonnes during the 28 working days in November from the total registered for the 29 working days in October.

Production steady

The seasonally adjusted West index for October stood at 124 (1970 equals 100), unchanged from September but up 4.2 per cent from October 1978 when it was 119, the economics ministry

Jet collaboration

Pratt and Whitney of the United States is to collaborate with Motoren und Turbinen-Union of West Germany, and that SPA of Italy, on the development of a new advancedtechnology jet aircraft engine, the JT10D-232.

results for the full year.

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Final version of report raises double engineering controversy

Finniston panel calls for statutory licensing

Two controversial issues—state licensing of some professional engineers and the difficulties of introducing a three-tier status scheme—emerge in the final version of the Finniston report on the engineering profession and manufacturing industry.

Statutory licensing of all consultant engineers—10 per cent of the profession—as well as the few already licensed, such as those in dam building, is recommended in the 65,000-word report. This is a tougher line than in earlier drafts of the report. The report is being studied by report. The report is being studied by Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, before publication in January.

On the three-tier scheme for registered engineers, which would replace the

present two-tier system of chartered engineers and technician engineers, there is a minority view in the report put forward by Lord Howie, one of Sir Monty Finniston's committee of 18.

Lord Howie said: "The proposals demand a substantial recasting of engineering education and it is hard to imagine an upheaval of this sort being readily brought about." Stiffening and qualifying requirements of the existing system would achieve near enough the same end, he claimed.

Under the Finniston proposals, a new statutory engineering authority would take over the registration of all engineers and when common qualification levels for a three-rier profession were established, it would set up accreditation criteria for universities and other educational establishments. The authority could help industry by ensuring the appropriate supply of qualified people to meet ndustry's needs.

The unequivocal recommendation on

consultants represents a shift of opinion by the Finniston committee which is against generalized statutory restriction to registered engineers. But Sir Keith is expected on the product of the statutory restriction to registered engineers. registered engineers. But sir Rein is expected to be under pressure to extend licensing to all engineers involved with public sector spending when the report is published in January.

The protagonist of this is the Institution of Electrical Engineers (IEE), one of the

big three professional engineering bodies, which believes that unless forced to, employers will not insist that engineers are properly qualified for critical or highly responsible work.

The IEE has argued the benefits of licensing to engineers, particularly in Canada and South Africa, but the Finniston report is sceptical of the effect on improved engineering practice. Significantly professional closed-shops had not been thought necessary in countries where regineering was established and valued. the report points out, although it admits engineering does not enjoy this status in

The committee thinks that registration f engineers could become, in effect, a licence to practise.

The Government and other public sector employers could take the lead in this by recruit g only registered engineers, the

report urges.
Companies contracting to the Government and its purchasing agencies should also be rold to employ registered engineers wherever possible, the report adds. Because manufacturing industry's output is 40 per cent reliant on the public sector this could be a strong influence in building up a de facto licensing system, the

But the report admits that although

job without qualifying for and retaining a licence, the suggested register will have as much sanction as employers choose to

The report is scathing about employers' attitudes to the registration system operated by the Engineers' Registration Board (ERB), which is part of the Council

of Engineering Institutions (CEI).

Referring to employers' negative artitudes" to the ERB system, the report points out that very few employers have tried to help in improving it or to establish workable alternatives. Employers have been indifferent to institutional bodies that set qualifications for their

members, says the report.

The committee hopes that one way of making progress would be common qualification standards in contrast to the variety of standards still seen under the ERB system. The three levels under the

new system, in descending order of pro-fessional merit, would be diploma, qualified or associate registered engineers. CEI would see a large curtailment of its activities if the Finniston recommenda-tions are implemented. It was an argument about CEI's role among constituen, insti-tutions that led to the setting up of the

CEI could still be a forum for institutions, but the committee suggests that in their dealings with the new engineering authority the institutions would find value in smaller groupings based on shared interests. The report predicts consequent changes in the organization of the institutions—including mergers.

Derek Harris

US Steel action on

dumping
The United States Steel Corporation will file anti-dumping suits against European pro-ducers, thought to include British Steel, from January 1, Mr David M. Roderick, the Chairman, said in New York Mr Roderick said that his corporation "apparently has no choice" but to file the actions

against foreign producers. The United States government's trigger price mechanism had not addressed the problem of dumping by European pro-He outlined a wide-ranging programme to improve the company's operations, following last week's announcements of

Meccano factory wins breathing space

By David Felton Airfix Industries is to reconsider its decision to close its Meccano factory in Liverpool with the loss of 900 jobs, the company's chairman, Mr Ralph Ehrmann, said yesterday.

His announcement came after four-hour meeting in London between management and union leaders. More talks are planned for Friday after Airfix has taken advice on the employment

The factory, which makes Meccano and Dinky Toys, was closed on Friday with workers being given only minutes notice. Mrs Thatcher announced in

the closure to see if there had been a broach of the Employment Protection Act.

During yesterday's meeting at the company's West London

headquarters the unions argued that Airfix was in breach of the Act by not giving the statutory
90 days notice of redondancy.
Mr Ehrmann later said the
"reconsideration" over the

factory's future was centred on of notice rather than on the actual decision to close it.

Mrs Patricia Turner, a national officer of the General and Municipal Workers' Umon, which has 650 members at the plant, said after yesterday's meeting: "We believe that the the Commons on Tuesday that meeting: "We believe that the the Government was examining company's actions have been the circumstances surrounding completely disreputable."

Assurance on future of docks

Mr James Fitzpatrick, manag- ore for Shotton was an importing director of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Company, yesterday gave a categorical assurance that Birkenhead docks would remain open even

Shorton steelworks close. The docks handle iron ore for Shotton, a trade worth £70,000 a year. In an official statement de-

signed to dispel the rumours which continue to circulate and cause uncertainty about their future, Mr Fitzpatrick, the company's chief executive, said: "There is no intention to close Birkenhead docks".

He said that although iron

Interim Statement

The following are the estimated and unaudited results of the Phoenix group of companies for the

nine months ended 30th September 1979. Interim figures cannot be taken as a reliable guide to

In converting US dollar transactions for the nine months to 30th September 1979 a rate of \$2.19

The home fire and accident account showed a profit of £1.5 million in the third quarter, despite

an increase in liability claims; the home underwriting deficit for the first nine months of 1979 was thereby reduced to £1.9 million compared with £2.9 million for the corresponding period

Notwithstanding the incidence of two major hurricanes. United States underwriting achieved a break-even in the third quarter. For the first nine months of 1979 the operating ratio was 101.1 (1978 94.4). The underwriting loss was £1.1 million (1978 profit £1.9 million).

There was some deterioration in Canada, especially in the automobile classes. Europe continued

generally poor but with a better result from Denmark. Of the other overseas territories, most

were profitable but outweighed by an underwriting loss totalling £1.4 million from Australia.

has been used (\$1.97 for the nine months to 30th September 1978 and \$2.04 for the year 1978). After adjustment for currency fluctuations the increases in general premium and investment income were respectively 12.0% and 22.5% (5.5% and 15.9% unadjusted) and the net profit of

£14.5 million would compare with £14.2 million to 30th September 1978.

ESTIMATED RESULTS TO 30th SEPTEMBER 1979

General (fire, accident, marine and aviation)...

Less expenses not charged to other accounts.

Earnings per share, calculated on a weighted

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ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

9 months

to 30.9.79

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9 months

to 30,9.79

£m

13.1

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9 months

to 30.9.78

28.9

1.4

28.3

27.4

1.6

15.6

25.8p

9 months

ta 30.9.78

£m

11.2

10.8

1,271

Year

1978

337.5

39.5

22

39.0

1.4

37.6

2.8

22.9

38.0p

Year

1978

1,722

17.1

15.2

£m

ant trade for Birkenhead the company was already seeking and securing new bulk trade to fill the gap long before the closure was announced.
"Iron ore is not the only

activity in a docks system, which is larger than both Glasgow and Manchester docks. The Port of Liverpool's strength has always been its ability to adapt to changing circumstances Mr. Fitzpatrick added. He gave as an example the new and flourishing car termi-

nal at Bidston. Derek Harris writes: An estimated £120m was being spent on new manufacturing and com-

mercial projects in Hull, and unemployment had been reduced, Mr Ian Holden, Hull City Council's director of indus-trial development, said in Lon-

Unemployment had fallen by 10 per cent between 1978 and 1979 and in the middle of this year there were 1,000 fewer out of work compared with the same time in 1978, he added. This was despite a decline throughout this decade of much of the traditional base of Hull and Humberside's economy. Mr Holden remained optimis tic about a continuing strong trend in the construction of new industrial floor space.

Aircraft fuel demand may quadruple

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

Consumption of fuel in the civil aviation industry is likely to be between two and four times above the present level by the end of the century, according to a new assessment by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), the United Nations aviation body. Even at that level, the re-

quirements of the industry would represent only 5 to 10 per cent of projected total oil

The report suggests that, although oil prices may continue to rise, they are unlikely to be maintained much higher than the present level in real terms for a long period, in view of a possible transition to greater use of other fossil fuels, including synthetic liquids proincluding synthetic liquids pro-duced from coal, shale or tar

Airlines will be able to save on fuel in the short term as they replace their older jets with new, mainly wide-bodied with new, mainly withe-bother aircraft, which use about 25 per cent less fuel for their capacity. The report suggests that improvements in fuel efficiency resulting from better operating procedures and aircraft management will armore management. mace management will approach 20 per cent by 1990.

"Soaring oil prices have seriously affected the airlines". the report says. "On average, fuel now accounts world-wide for about one-fifth of total air-

United States industry | Sorrow over the incandescent lamp

Washington, Dec 5

lieve that a recession has starslump that will push down in-terest rates and strengthen share prices.
Their conviction was rein-

forced today by an announce-ment by General Motors that it will be indefinitely laying New car sales in the United New car sales in the United States fell by 21.3 per cent last month and more than 100,000 car workers have already been made redundant because of de-

Earlier this week Governor Henry Wallich of the Federal Reserve Board reflected a view now widespread in government circles when he said that "a slowdown seems to be ahead... It should bring relief from rising prices and from pressure on the dollar."

Economists at Citibank in New York note that new hous-ing sales are softening and a further factor indicating an economic slowdown is the relatively sluggish performance of retail sales.

They also point out that a factor that may influence such a rate decline is concern at the Fed that too much tighten-ing of credit conditions will produce a political reaction that will make it all the harder

Government and private economists that unemployment may well rise to 8 per cent by ucxt

braced for recession

Increasing numbers of US Government officials, econo-mists and businessmen now be-

off 11,000 workers in January

Experts at Goldman, Sachs and Company see the slowing

decline in interest rates and they predict the prime rate will average about 14 per cent in the first quarter of 1980 and 12 per cent in the second

to combat inflation.

It is swiftly becoming the conventional wisdom among

A point of substantial dispute is whether the Fed will have the courage to maintain tight policies in the face of rising unemployment and whether fiscal prudence will prevail in Congress and at the White House as the elections approach. The crisis in Iran is tending to influence financial markets now and overshadow fundamental economic developments, according to some bankers in New York.

They expect that the stock market will move ahead briskly once the Iranian crisis is over and as easier interest rates

and as easier interest rates

Development Council is criticized for promotions

tion came under beavy fire from a Government-appointed firm of consultants yesterday. The North of England Development Council spent just over 5487,000 in the last financial vear trying to attract new industry to the North-East. Nearly two-fifths went on promotion and visits to Japan,

America and Europe.

But the consultants, Coopers and Lybrand, said the results did not measure up to cash spent. "This is an important criticism because of the substantial resources the council has donated to overseas pro-

motion", they said.

The cost of each new job attributable to the council was estimated at about £5,000. But the council, in a detailed reply, put the cost at below £1,000, and possibly as low as £573 if different criteria were used. The council said: "The consultants, formula lacks concrete criteria and ignores the facts. Fourteen projects which have

job promotion organiza developed from inquiries came under beavy fire received with the help of couna Government-appointed cil initiatives will generate more of consultants vesterday. bringing the cost per job level below \$1,000. " The council is confident that

the consultants' cornerstone argument on cost-effectiveness is based upon a formula which cannot withstand close scrutiny and crumbles when contested. This is highlighted in the cur-rent year by the case of Findus, which has, after many months of negotiation, now declared its intention to site a factory em-ploying 1,000 people in the "Taking this one project

alone, the promotional cost per job for the current year would be £573. A project of this size can drive a coach and horses through statistical analysis and base-line judgments.

Mrs Maureen Taylor, council chairman, said yesterday: "We believe that the consultants' findings misjudge and mislead over the work and effectiveness of the council."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

G. DAVID LOCK, Managing Director, Private Patients Plan,

Tavistock Square. London WCIH 9LJ.

December 5.

Tavistock House South,

From Mr F. C. Lynam Sir, Mr R. D. Knott highlights

the problem facing many pensioners who have been sub-

scribers to private patients' schemes for many years.

Those of us fortunate enough to have reached "three score and 10" are given no considera-tion for long-term membership

and minimum claims.
When we are most likely to

need assistance the subscrip-tion becomes prohibitive. In my case it has increased eightfold

since 1969. Yours faithfully,

F. C. LYNAM

Green Jacket, Parkside Close,

DORIS E. COOMBES-HERRIDGE,

Increasing costs faced by Building provident associations 65 and over continue to enjoy

From Mr G. David Lock Sir, Your readers Mr Knott fully the advantages of this (November 27), Captain Goodwin and Mr Weston (December 4) have all referred to a prob (November 27), Caprain Good-win and Mr. Weston (December 4) have all referred to a prob-lem which is going to become more severe in the years shead. The average age of the popu-lation is increasing fast. It is an undeniable fact that the inci-dence and cost of treatine. Illdence and cost of treating ill-ness increases with age and thus puts the Provident Associ-ations in a predicament. While we can accept that there is some justice in asking younger sub-scribers to pay to ease the burden on older subscribers, we have a clear duty to provide the choice of private medicine to as many people as possible.

Unly by keeping subscriptions
down to reasonable levels will
younger people be able to afford

With the pressure on the family budgets of young people, to tamily nungets of young people, there is little scope to ask them to pay more than is accuarially essential. Without a continuous inflow of young subscribers our insurance plans would soon cease to be viable and the policy we follow is therefore in the interests of all subscribers. scribers.

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This ensures that the benefits Leatherhead, available keep pace with the Surrey, KI24 5BY.

cost of living. Subscribers aged November 29.

Financing tax cuts

Coombes-Herridge
Sir. It would seem that the Government is using the selling off of nationalized industries to help finance the provider to the could lead to a furnish and could lead to a furnish an off of nationalized industries to could lead to a furure reduction help finance the unwise tax cuts in the income tax by at least of the early Budget. It must be remembered, however, that the sale of British Airways, BP, etc., Yours sincerely. are one-off recoupments, DORIS E.
whereas if the contributions to COOMBES-HE,
the Common Market budget 2 Gaen Street,
were used (which of course
means withdrawal from that expensive club) this contribution November 22.

Premium on beer prices

From Mr Alan T. Harrison ham and Nottingham have enjoyed lower beer prices than other areas, while having a number of independent brewers producing traditional Sir, The Ind Coope revival of old brewery names and "return to brewing traditional cask-conditioned local ales" would perhaps cause greater joy in real-ale drinking circles are leaping on the real-ale bandwagon, while trying to make real ale " a premium over their repenjance if there were some accompanying assurance that your correspon-dent (November 27) is mistaken product for the more expensive public houses, as if it were somehow more expensive in expecting the traditional beers to carry a price premium. A traditional beer should not to produce than keg beer. No doubt publicans in the Ind Coope area will shortly be asked to pay £150 each for handpumps, not so long ago torn out of the pubs, while the price of Allied Breweries' volte-face will be passed on to

only be a superior product to a keg beer of similar original gravity; it should also be theaper, since less capital expenditure and less labour costs are involved in its production. Cask-conditioned peers are not normany me sur-ject of large-scale advertising campaigns, and should gain a further price advantage here. In the main, they are not transported long distances. Areas such as Greater Manthester, the West Midlands, W53 3SG. outside the City of Birming November 27

16 Baslow Road, Bloxwich, Waisall, Staffordshire, WS3 3SG.

society economics

From Mr C. Mackenzie Sir, I am at a loss to understand what economics I. F. Pearce (Letters, November 28) professes at Southampton.

The increase in building Unlike the life insurance comsociety's investment over the refers, the benefits of PPP can last decade has largely been at the expense of industrial equibe drawn repeatedly throughout the insured's life as claims ties; not only is such investment instantly realized, but it is also secure and gives a better

rate of interest. What would the effect of a 25 per cent minimum lending rate be? The amount house purchasers could borrow would dramatically fall. House prices would drop, and it would prove difficult to sell.

Combine this difficulty with the increased cost of sale and purchase (which in itself has grown over the last decade more than proportionately) and it is not difficult to imaging the effect on the "mobility. ine the effect on the "mobility of labour"—considered by most economic theorists as being of utmost relevance to the end of recession-

Over the past five years house prices have not increased by 25 per cent (I wish they had). If house prices were allowed, for once, to exceed building costs, then the building industry would receive a much-needed incentive to increase the available housing stock. Anyone studythe to increase the available thousing stock. Anyone studying economics might be able to ferecast the effect of an increase in supply coinciding with a reduction in demand, in what is a comparatively free

market. Yours faithfully, C. MACKENZIE, School Hill Old Heathfield, East Sussex. November 29.

From Mr J. H. Duerr Sir. Professor Pearce's letter to you (November 28) should not

go unchallenged. First: the building societies do not own the properties for which mortgages are obtained; the properties are used as security for loans made by the societies, which is a very different matter.

Secondly: householders do not make capital gains on their properties unless they sell up completely or move to a cheaper district. If, as is usually the case, a move is made to a more expensive property, then it can easily be shown that the householder gains more if house prices advance at or below the general inflation rate.

Thirdly: the tax relief on mortgage interest may appear unjust, but while both major political parties encourage home ownership it is reasonable; to expect this encouragement to take some tangible

Yours faithfully, J. H. DUERR. 11 Berkshire Road. Henley-on-Thames,

the unfortunate customer.
Yours faithfully,

ALAN T. HARRISON.

From Mr J. A. Youngman. Sir, with regard to the letter from Professor Peter Kirby (November 29) I can see no cause to celebrate the cen-tenary of the incandescent

lamp.
The lamps devised by both
Swan and Edison had an efficiency of only one half of 1 per cent. After a century of progress this has been raised to a staggering 2 per cent. Add to this the fact that of each 100 tons of coal burn at a power station 70 tons is lost in wasted heat, some 5 to 10 per cent is lost in transmission, so that only 10 hundredweight is used to produce light. Surely, a cause for sorrow, not cele-

bration. The only biography of Edison's contemporary, Nicola Tesla asserts that Tesla invented, among hundreds of other things, an efficient electric lamp. This book also alleges

Management skills

From Mr Don Leslie
Sir. May I echo one of the
points raised by Adrienne Gleeson in her article "A tougher road to the top for account ants" (December 3), that "accountants have very little experience indeed of the other

As an aspiring Scottish CA, I was required to take one of the ICAS "approved" undergraduate courses—a course which left me well versed in accommance traterion and command accommand traterions and command traterions. which left me well versed in accountancy, taxarion and company law, but not much else. Yet in my few months' exposure to auditing I have seen how important it is that an accountant has a grasp of such interpersonal skills as leadership, motivation, communication and negotiation. negotiation.

But where is a junior auditor But where is a junior auditor to learn such skills? Not from the institute (too busy), not from the firms (too expensive) and certainly not from the universities (no wish to conform even more to the demands of the profession). The onus is thus placed on the individual to gain exposure in the management sciences through curside. ment sciences through outside experience, judicious choice of university course (if the curriculum allows) or involvement in one of the student-management training schemes such as the admirable AIESEC programme. As few can avail themselves of such opportunities, is it any surprise therefore that accountants find it very difficult either to comprehend the other sciences of management or to

apply them? DON LESLIE, Edinburgh EH13 SEN. that all Tesla's writings were the earth, its harmful radia-placed under lock and key tions thoughtfully shielded by after his death. our atmosphere. Few people "We need to reinvent the are aware that in just three motor car" President Carter days the sun pours energy on recently said. And, I would to the earth equal to the total

suggest, practically everything else. We need to reexamine the lost and ignored inventions among which I would include the car engine patented in the United States in 1922 which utilized most of the waste heat by performing alternate strokes of internal combustion and steam; the marvellously efficient aeroplanes of our own Sir Barnes Wallis; the new system of car ignition shown on recent issue of Tomorrow's World, and, by no means finally, the work of a scientist who spoke on television some 18 months ago of his efforts to

cut the costs of solar cells. The Sun must be providence's auswer; a vast nuclear power plant at a safe distance from

known reserves of oil, coal and natural gas. Even in shire the roof of my bungalow receives potential electrical energy worth £1,125 per

The sincere hope behind this letter is to generate some righteous anger for our past laziness, and to exhort the scientists of the "establish-ment" and of the multinational energy companies to produce answers, now, pref before this decade is out. It can be done. J. A. YOUNGMAN, Lothlorien", Wood Enderby,

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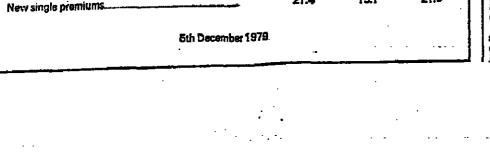
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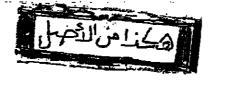
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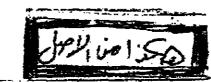


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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Pilkington takes the plunge

clumsily. Nor only has it been launched at a time when the equity market has looked untriendly enough to have persuaded others in the rights queue to drop out but it has rome on the back of an inexpectedly sharp. drop in half yearly profits from £43.4m to £38.8m and indications that group profit ability may come under further pressure.

The group has had its place in the rights

queue for some months and with the recession expected to bite deeply into Pilkington next year it may well consider this to be as propitious a time as any to call 200. on shareholders.

But with the shares dropping 30p to 2.8p. in the news, it will not take much weakness: n the equity market for the price to dippole the 200p at which the new shares are being issued, although Schroders were howing few signs of worrying yesterday.

about the underwriting.

All the same shareholders may well luestion why the company is tossing its quity around like this when the share price.

vas above 400p earlier this year.

Pilkington is insisting that the funding is lesigned to cover both capital spending of 250m over the next three years although ith the heavy £190m investment proramme over the last three years the general apeciation was that it was over the hump. nd the proposed purchase of BSN-Gervais)anone which will both turn it into the orld's number one flat glass producer and ive it a new profits base when the licensing acome runs out towards the end of 1980s.

BSN will cost £120m and Pilkington is still ressing ahead with its plans to cover part f the price via the issue of 7 per cent of its quity probably towards the end of next year hich means that there will be a steady tap f shares for the next year or so. The trouble ; that the group is not even as highly eared as it was when capital spending on ew flat glass plants was at its height two

Meanwhile the half-year results were elow stockmarket expectations even after dding back the special commerative float ayment of £3.5m.

Full year profits look like reaching per-aps £86m against £90.3m with perhaps no etter than maintained profits the year after nd despite the one third dividend rise the nares will have plenty of earnings dilution 1 cope with. Pilkington will take sometime) live down this rights issue,

Highland prepares o fight.

liram Walker's 130p a share bid for lighland Distilleries looks no more than an pening shot. Indeed the market is enticiating a battle royal having already lifted lighland's shares 10p above the offer price. The fact that the Canadians have launched n assault on a group bitherto regarded as

lmost bid-proof in some quarters, speaks olumes about the attractions of established couch distillers to the big drilles groups oth at home and overseas.

With less than a quarter point of United-ingdom market share held by Hiram Valker's own leading Scotch brand, Ballanne, the success story behind Highland's amous Grouse, must obviously appear trractive to the Canadian group. Famous rouse now has more than 6 per cent of the ritish market.

In return for this access to the British rarket, Hiram Walker can offer Highland a seful entree into overseas markets and peraps more importantly an end to pressing. alance sheet headaches.

Higher borrowing costs have put heavy ressure on all distillers involved in inancing stocks which, in the case of male hiskies, take at least five years to mature. lighland with a high-flying product in amous Grouse is more pushed than most n this front having to lay down ever greater tocks to meet potential demand. The group aised £8.6m by rights earlier this year and as been widely expected to come to shareolders for more funds next year.

The major hurdle a bidder will have to ear, however, concerns Highland's close elationship with Robertson & Baxter in hich Highland has a 35 per cent stake and hich is joint partner in the Famous Grouse peration. Highland and Robertson have rectors in common, while Edrington Holdgs which is Robertson's main stake-holder 18 8 per cent of Highland.

Hiram Walker's gamble presumably is that can prise Highland away without upsetting -

Pilkington has timed its £60m rights tall relationships with Robertson, which is unlikely to be available at any price. Next the Canadian group would have to contend

> group's from the Scottish unions. Seagram's successful bid for Glenlivet last vear will have encouraged Hiram Walker but an exit p/e of 17 (on reported earnings) is not particularly over-generous and the Capadian group could still be in difficulties. even if it decides to up the price by another

with fiercely nationalistic Scottish investors,

who hold around a third of the equity not

to mention fierce hostility towards overseas

Hanson Trust

Still full

Full-year results from Hanson Trust are better than expected after the 10 per cent increase to £12.5m at half time. For this shareholders can thank the fact that both the United States agriproducts businesses, Seacoast and Hygrade, have recovered from the difficult conditions which left profits in 1978 well down on the total for 1977, so that their contribution at the trading level this time is almost £4m better.

Meanwhile in the United Kingdom the

bricks business, in particular, has gained a bigger and better share of a declining market, and the 1978-79 acquisitions have chipped in the best part of £2m, to leave United Kingdom industrial profits some £4.8m higher at the trading level. The net result, after interest and expenses of £2.7m (as against a credit of £900,000 last time), is an increase of almost 20 per cent at the pre-tax level to f31.2m, and ample cover for a dividend payout raised by just over 40 per cent, in line with the rights issue

All of which is very well: but what is Hanson going to make the running on this time? Since the first half was relatively flat, there must be some more recovery to show through in results from Seacoast and Hygrade; but the best of the bounce must come from inclusion of a full year's profits from Lindustries, which chipped in a mere £300,000 this time, In spite of the failure of its attempts for Barber Oil, Hanson is still on the acquisition trail; but in the meantime there is £40m-odd in the balance sheet, earning more han Hanson usually gets on

At 130p, up 4p yesterday, Hanson's shares are on a historic yield of 8 per cent, which appears to discount the risks more than adequately.

Bass

Gaining

Bass produced some impressive interim figures in June, so the outcome for the year seems disappointing; profits are only seems the per cear higher at £111.6m whereas the 'nac' expected around £120m. How ever, there are explanations. This time it has been a 52 rather than 53 week period surpluses on asset disposals were bunched into the first half and, finally, the £3.4m cost of introducing a share ownership scheme under the 1978 Act (Bass is among the first to do this) has been taken against second half profits.

Thus the underlying trend is more satisfactory: Second-half profits stripping out these factors rose by some 9 per cent. Beyoud that Bass has been gaining market

It had some 20 per cent of the beer market and has probably notched that up by between 4 and 3 of a point which given the volume involved is important, and reflects Bass pricing policy throughout the period (dictated to a large extent by the Price Commission findings) which meant that it avoided an across-the-board increase

and will do so until January at least. But there is another factor helping Bass in the market. It is strong in low carbohydrate beers and, even in a strong market like lager, this is the leading contender. And it is also strong at the other end of the market for more traditional beers, including

These defensive factors will serve Bass well during 1980 when pressure on spending could well cause untoward distortions in the beer sales. So the shares at 201p, down 8p, yesterday selling at 6.8 times latest earnings and yielding 51 per cent on a dividend increased by nearly 30 per cent, can justify their premium rating.

Economic notebook

How much should the Government borrow?

facing the Government as it be was described simply in terms gins its preparations for the of its likely share of national Budget next spring, is the prob-lem of the size of the public sector barrowing requirement. Public spending is not being

allowed to grow but there are limits to how much more it can faced with trying to reconcile two seemingly conflicting pledges, that it would cut the burden of taxation and that it would cut the level of Govern-

ment borrowing.

Over the past three weeks we have asked three outside economists to set out their views. Frank Blackaby of the National Frank Blackaby of the National Institute of Economic and Social Research put a Keynesian view; Tim Congdon, of stockbrokers Messei and Co, looked at the issue as a monetarist, drawing attention to the size of total public borrowing in the past five years; Alan Budd of the London Business School said that while the underlying trend should come down the greater the drop in output, the Government ought to accept a higher level of public borrowing.

Effect on confidence

There is, we can be sure, no prospect of this Government. (nor would there have been with one with Mr Healey as Chancellor) taking the line ad-vocated by Franp Blackaby of allowing the Government's borrowing need next year to be whatever it turns out to be.

whatever it turns out to be.

The mere effect on confifidence would so depress prospects fo rselling gilts as to
make it very difficult indeed
for the Go'erument to hold to
any money supply target. But
quite apart from that, one lesson which we have learnt with
increasing force in recent years
is that changes in the level of
public sector borrowing are of public sector borrowing are of crucial importance in deciding how fast the money supply ex-

If governments do not have borrowing requirement target they cannot realistically claim to have a money supply target; and the maintenance of such a target is one thing which we can expect the present Government to maintain whatever other U-turns are forced on it.

But is would be wrong to dismiss some of the very real difficulties to which Mr. Blackby draws arrention. One is the sheer unpredictability of the PSBR itself.

There has been a great deal of talk on recent years about the unreliability of forecasts.
Yer, ironically enough, much of Way techniques has come from those who want to use a forecast of PSBR as their guide to what government policy should be. The PSBR is the defference between two very large figures. Like all such differences, the error to which it is liable is the sum of the errors which can occur in either tax or spending. When added together, the errors can be well over a billion either This ought to lead all of us

to a rather more sceptical view of some of the minutae which get argued about in terms of Government policy. Sir Geoffrey Howe's decision at the time of the increase in minimum lending rate to raise an extra £700m in petroleum revenue this year and thus bring down the borrowing requirement to the £8,300m he premised at the time of the Budget, was a shrewd psychological move; but it really ought not to be necessary to announce policy changes aimed at a problem which is well under half the potential error in the forecast on which the Government is basing its action.

The only justifiable part of the Government's otherwise foolish attempt to be uniformative in its latest published economic forecast was the vagueness about the likely size of the

pointed out, get the benefit of a full year's VAT at 15 per

more revenue from North Sea oil. So why should not the real size of horrowing go down next year, rather than staying steady or going up ?

that, at least in the short term, the response ought to be to let borrowing take the strain. Yir Congdon assessed the increase in government deficit through lower activity as about cancell-ing out the gains from VAT and

Dr Budd makes the perfectly

all, when the economy started ro show a sharp rise in unem-ployment in 1974 there were many who thought that the in-

The problem we have here is the traditional one of a policy which is trying to go in one direction (gerting borrowing downwards) attempting to reconcile with itself the fact that events next year are going in the opposite direction. I have doubts about whether financial markets have yer decided that recessionary-induced compo-nents of borrowing do not

There tions which worry me about the belief that the trend of borrowing ought to be downward but that recessionary upsurges should be accommodated.

The second worry is why we should be prepared to let the PSBR rise in this way and no other. I tis argued that automatic stabilizers are at work in the economy. But if an increase in the government deficit tends to increase output and activity, why should we restrict ourselves to automatic stabilizers. Why not use a few dis-cretionary ones as well?

Many things next year will be working in the Government's favour. It will, as Tim Congdon

It will also receive much

What happens if recession pushes up the Government's

Both Mr Congdon and Dr Alan Budd of the IBS accepted ing out the gains from VA1 and other things; Dr Budd gave a range of effects depending on just how severe the recession is, which in turn implied a range of acceptable borrowing levels.

fair point that private sector borrowing tends to fall during a recession, so that the pres-sure to expand the money sup-ply is reduced from that quar-ter while Mr Congdon says that the increase through the reces-sion is only "temporary". Maybe it is, but just how temporary is temporary? After all, when the economy started

many who thought that the increase then was temporary.
Yet now the base of unemployment from which we start is about 500,000 higher than it was then. How do we know that unemployment levels will be coming down in 1981? And if they are not, or if they are falling only slowly, when does the 'temporary' effect of rising unemployment on governing unemployment on government borrowing give way to a permanent effect.

One is why those in favour of this view do not go all the way and say that we should look at the Government's financial position with all the com-ponents which move cyclically stripped out; in other words, draw up a "high employment" budget.

There may be practical argu-ments for the middle way which is being espoused, but I cannot help feeling that logic points to one of the two extremes of either saying that we should look at the actual figure for the PSBR or we should strip out all cyclical influences. There is nothing magic about the present level of unemployment.

And if public borrowing does

increase activity then there is no reason to let it rise; for the "stabilizers" have no eftect.

David Blake | 51 and included.

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EUROPE'S TOP TWENTY INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

Oil industry

Oil industry

transport

Netherlands UK

Running a rule over the world's biggest businesses

oil supplies can no longer be guaranteed, it is salutory to be reminded of our dependence upon that highly political com-

British Petroleum

Royal Dutch Petroleum Shell " Transport and Trading

modity.
The Times 1000, published today, underlines the degree to which European industry is oil-related or oil-dependent. Britain, with its own supplies, is luckier than most, but even so will not be immune to any crisis.

The table above showing the

largest industrial groupings in Europe, demonstrates the dominance of the oil and chemi-cal industries (the latter using oil as a feedstock) in the Euro-pean industrial scene.

Reinforcing the point, but this time taking a world view, the new Times 1000 shows that Exxon Corporation (which owns Esso in Britain) is the world's largest industrial grouping, followed closely by the former leader, General Motors, also of the United States. These two companies had more than £29,000 million of sales in 1978. Another American company, Ford Motor, comes third-well behind the other two-with

Sales close to £20.000m.

At this point, British Petroleum, the leading company in
Britain and the biggest in Europe, follows with total sales of nearly £17,560m in the finof nearly £17,560m in the financial year to the end of last true growth. Most, if not all, December.

Its sales were ahead of its swallowed up by inflation. ancial year to the end of last

earest rival in Europe, Royal Durch Petroleum by some 12 per cent and by 50 per cent on 'Shell" Transport and Trading, the second largest company Our long-term aim in The

Times 1000 is to produce a table combining British companies with those in continental Europe. This is not yet possible, as accounting requirements differ from country to country and even definitions of, say, capital employed vary con-siderably.

Any effort, therefore, to

carry comparisons of size beyond sales is of doubtful validity and The Times 1000 does not attempt it. The European table shows the top 20 industrial groupings in Europe by sales, a tabulation which can be taken to 1,500 companies. Britain's top commercial and industrial companies are listed in the main rable. It offers a wide range of figures, some for the previous as well as the latest full financial year, from sales, exports profit before tax and capital employed to the number of employees and where appropriate—the market capitalization of the companies' There are subsidiary rankings for capital employed and profits. All eligible companies accounting to December 31 and March 31 last are

Margaret Allen on the latest edition of The Times 1000 which lists the performance of companies in Britain and

In the new edition, the turnover of companies which reach the top 1,000, and therefore be-come eligible for the table, has continued to grow. A year ago a sales figure of a little under £22m was enough to get a company into the list: this time the comparable figure is over £25m.

around

the world

The only changes in the top 10 positions are General Electric, up one place to ninth, and the entry of Shell UK for the first time, in tenth position, following the break-up some time ago of Shell-Mex and BP. With these changes Esso Petroleum has dropped out of the

Although British Petroleum and "Shell" Transport and Trading are much larger than their nearest tisal. Bat Industries, the first 45 companies in the list have recorded sales in excess of £1,000m. The biggest rise in the top 50 is that of BOC International, which has moved up from sixty-second place to thirty-first.

Allied Breweries, swelled by its takeover of J. Lyons and Co. Itas also moved up from thirtieth to twelfth place. In the opposite direction, Cavenham has dropped from twelfth to twentieth place, following some years of rapid rises. Many interesting compari-

sons can be made in com-panies throughout the whole range. One of these is the re-turn on capital employed, which though a somewhat crude onc.

as it tends to suggest that all service industries are efficient, because of their fairly low need for capital assets in comparison with sales, and that heavy in-dustries in contrast are all inefficient because they are capital intensive.

Nevertheless, experience within industries varies from company to company, some companies scoring surprisingly well in comparison with others in the same trade. (The reader can make these comparisons for himself.) The table below simply shows the 10 companies with the highest return on capiwith the highest return on capital employed in the list and the 10 with the lowest. Cocoa Merchants, 165th in the main ranking, comes top with a re-turn of £201.30 on every £100 invested in its business. At the bottom are Green

Shield Trading Stamp, whose troubles have been wellchronicled in recent years, and Star Aluminium. There are a further 26 companies which have lost money compared with 25 a year ago and they have heen isolated into a special table in the introduction.

For the second year running tables on the top 25 trade unions and employers organizations are included. These make interesting reading and show die tremendous wealth of the unions compared with em-ployers.

only do they have a much higher personal mem-bership (in almost all cases, apart from the National Farmers linion, membership of employers' organizations is by companies rather than individuals), but subscription income and funds are much higher, too. No union in the top 25 has a ner deficit, compared with seven employers' associations.

The biggest union by far, the Transport and General Workers, has over 2 million members and more than 136m in funds. In contrast the National Farmers Union (ranking second in terms of subscription income) has 127,622 members and total funds of £6.114m.

Extel has once again provided us with the bulk of the figures, apart from those in the table of top advertisers, which once again have come from the re-search department of J. Walter

The Times 1000 is available from bookshops or, in case of difficulty, from Times Books, 18 Ogle Street, London, W1, at is reckoned to be one measure 111.50 a copy, plus 11 postage of the efficiency of a firm, for the first copy and 50p per copy for each additional copy.

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705	Star Aluminium Co	0.9
238	National Carbonising Co	1.0
244	Chevron Oil (UK)	12
483	Elf Aquitaine UK (Holdings)	1.2
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was a day of swings and undabouts for lan Fraser. sterday, but what was gained the skings was rather more portant than what was lost The gain was his promotion

rith effect from January 1)
the chairmanship of City
erchant bankers Lazard
others. The loss, or prospecre loss, was his directorship EMI, which yesterday came der the control of successful kiders Thorn.

At Lagards, Fraser replaces hniel Meinertzbagen, who is hiring from the bank after 42

Fraser's own career started in, th Reinters. In 1956 he moved "I've been cleared myself, of o banking with S. G. Warburg d in 1969 became Director neral of the Takeover Panel. in 1972 he joined Lazards as director and in 1973 moved to the deputy chairmanship. le directorships, the most table being at Rolls-Royce stors, where he has been rman since the company formed out of the ashes of old Rolls-Royce group.

He sees his job as ensuring the bank siezes the opporrities that come along. Two those uportunities he identis as the business that should w from the abolition of nited Kingdom exchange conand any changes in the of international money may well follow the Ameribanks hard line response

 Security clearance being a pretty sensitive issue at the moment. I was intrigued to have a word with Ralph Price yesterday. He is the chairman of two security conscious com-panies, both of whom have hush bush government contracts Honeywell UK and MI. Hold-

ings.
ML is an engineering group that makes everything from bomb release gear to piano frames. More than balf of its 1,172 employees are involved in defence contract work, amounting to about £12m-worth a year.
Price told me: "Ldon't know how our people are cleared. They just are and they don't "I've been cleared myself, of

cleared."

One problem of the clearance business is that this highly-specialized company can subcontract only to cleared com-panies, which exacerbate the already "desperate" shortage of specialized technological

a design office in Bristol and will shortly open another in Guildford, taking work to reser-voirs of skilled labour, since the firm can neither subcontract nor hire enough talented people



at Honeywell and I'm in clear at ML—they go your antecedents very thoroughly— but you never actually know when you are

Price rold me that the Slough based ML has recently opened

The most coveted prize in British engineering, the £25,000 MacRobert Award from the Council of Engineering Institutions, this year has gone to Sam Fedida, inventor of Prestel. Post Office Telecommunica-tions, which Isunched Prestel this year as the first public viewdata service in the world, gets the MacRobert gold medal. Fedida, now 61 and a view-data consultant, dreamed up Prestel in the 1960s when work-ing for the Post Office Research

Establishment, Prestel combines a modified television set, telephone line and computer to provide subscribers with access to an information bank. Today there are 1,750 Prestel sons linked to the system and about 250,000 "pages" of data

Not surprisingly, Fedida has a Prestel set installed at his home and is able to tune in to the competing Oracle and Cen-fax systems. He has his own computer, 100. He plans to spend his prize-which I hope is not taxable"

on holidays and further research into simplifying com-puterized communications sys-The award was presented yesterday by the Duke of Edin

The MacRobert Award, which recognizes technological innovation contributing to United Kingdom prestige and prosperity, was founded by Lady MacRobert, widow of Sir Alexander, founder of British India Cornovation.



One of the mainstays behind latest hardback publishing im-print Piatkus Books, apart from founder Judy Platkus (picture of above yesterday) is the

"You can't concentrate on your work if you're worrying about the children"; says the 31-year-old Mrs Patikus, who began as a secretary. "For-tunately, I have an extremely

The firm, based at her home in Essex—as are her husband and two children-specializes in hardback versions of paperbacks. With ten titles our on a run of 2,000 each, Mrs Piatkus says that a small firm like hers can make money selling mainly to libraries,

People like their Christmasses corny. That is the word from the Christmas cracker trade. When College Christinas Cracker Company, of Dunstable, Bedfordshire, one of only tour or five such firms in the country, tried "more sophisticated" joke and mottoes in it more expensive crackers, people did oot seem to like them, director Edward Somers said. "W reverted to the more corny type of thing. But the whole thin is corny isn't it?" The cominess of it all means however, that the trade is no

driven crackers by the vagarie of boom and recession, company, which has anothe factory at Grantham, makes million crackers a week through out the year and has alread taken orders for Christmas nex year. A tends of output is ex ported.

Those scentics, the financial experts at Money Which? have made a proju of 65 per cent in six weeks. In August they six weeks. In August they bought a limited edition of cm bossed sterling silver ingots for a report on olternative investments. They paid £400 and were able to sell for £668 in October. But they didn't learn anything about limited editions. Silver prices shot up in Sep-tember and the ingots were sold to people who wanted the metal.

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Stock markets

Shares in retreat after poor company news

turn for the worse yesterday as a spate of company news sent share prices sliding, bringing to an end for the moment Tues-day's hopes of a sustained technical rally before Christmas. News within the first half-hour of trading from Pilkington signalled the retreat when the company reported disappointing interim figures and a call for

£60m by way of a rights issue. Things went from bad to worse on news of a £6 m placing of shares in Lasmo close on the beels of last week's sale of 7m shares by Ivory & Sime. Once again the placing was arranged by Cazenove, but this time the seller wished to remain

Carlton Real Estate are dealt in under rule 163(2). They are now around 23p. Market rumour is that Carlton, led by Mr Mark Keegan, could be in the early stages of talks with a would be bidder, who could be willing to pay 30p a share. Yesterday Mr Keegan told The Times: "We often talk to different people without having anything material to report."

anonymous although gossip linked the names of National Carbonising and Cawoods, which have large stakes in the group. Even confirmation of the miner's rejection of strike action failed to bring cheer the market continued to drift. Gilts were once again neglected with the longs showing falls on the day of between £1 to £1 and shorts registering falls of about £1. Hopes that the new tap Treasury 15 per cent, 1985, will be exhausted before the weekend have now begun to

recede as once again little

At the close of business, the FT Index had registered its heaviest fell of the day, being 4.7 down at 418.6.

Rumours after hours of a bearish brokers' circular from Hoare Govert saw a further decline and the news of a settlement in Rhode sia came too late to be of much help. Cape Industries were unchanged at 221p as were Mitchell Cotts at 361p and Stockiake at 100p. Turner & Newall dipped 2p to 121p in trend with the rest of the market.

Southern Rhodesian bonds managed to finish the day all square, with Southern Rhodesian 21 per cent 65-70 at £115, Southern Rhodesian 41 per cent 87-92 at £98 and Southern Rhodesian 6 per cent 78-81 at £142. Sharp rises are expected after the resumption of busiafter the resumption of busi-ness this morning.

The drinks sector was acrive following the surprise bid of £80m for Highland Distillers from Hiram WalkerGooderham and Worts which sent the High-land share price leaping 41p to 140p. This provoked a whole series of speculation within the sector, with Arthur Bell 8p up at 176p, Invergorden 19p stronger at 206p, Irish Distil-lers 5p higher at 85p and Tomatin 13p better at 185p.

Among the breweries fullyear figures from Bass Charrington received a cool market reception and the shares slipped 8p to 201p. But an improved performance from J. A. Devenish left the shares firm at 203p. Allied Breweries were a penny easier at 79p.

Leading industrials were mostly easier with the news of a rights issue and disappointing figures from Pilkington Bros,

Elsewhere, falls of 6p were suffered by ICI at 356p and Unilever at 456p. Falls of 3p were reported among Reecham at 117p, Rank Organisation at 174p and BAT's at 245p. Glaxo was 2p lower at 423p and Fisons at 234p and Courtaulds at 78p ere both unchanged. On the bid front, shares of

Whessoe collapsed 52p to 88p on nes that Costain had officially withdrawn from talks on a possible bid and that the group faced a claim from the Quar Petroleum Authority for damages as a result of a fire in 1977. Added to all this, the group reported that profits were down on the year. News that Thorn's bid for EMI had gone

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Bass (F) 1134(1014)

Baker Perkins (I) 45.0(41.7)

Buffetsfontein (I) (c) —(—)

Bogod-Pelepan (I) 2.5(2.1)

J. Causton & Sns (F) 13.0(10.8)

Coalite (I) 135.0(117.0)

Clydesdale T V L (F) (c)—(—)

J. H. Dennis (I) 1.57(1.81a)

J. A. Devenish (F) 5.0(3.5)

Eng Card Cloth (I) 10.0(9.3)

Griqualand (F) (c)—(—)

Jacksons B. E. (I) 3.0(2.6)

Hanson Trst (F) 658.0(605.0)

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The key point of Gulf Stream Resources's gas find in Qutar is that it is next door to Shell's North West Dome site-the largest natural gas field in the world The shares in GSR traded under rule 163(2). They rose 15p to 140p yesterday.

Montfort (Knitting), currently receiving the attention of David Dixon, shed 1p to 88p on Palma Textiles increasing its stake to 17.17 per cent. Shares of R. A. Dyson were suspended at the company's request pending a further announcement.

In oils, Lasmo gave up 5p to

30p down at 218p, holding the spotlight.

Elsewhere, falls of 6p were suffered by ICI at 356p and changed at 133p.

unconditional did little for the 343p after another placing of shares, which dipped 4p to shares and Oil Exploration 310p and EMI remained unshared at 376p and Shell 356p. eased 2p to 338p, while Ultra-mar lost 4p at 408p. In electricals, GEC 9p down

at 337p and Racal 10p lower at 215p were both nervous ahead of today's interim reports, while Plessey firmed 1p to 109p after further reflection of Tuesday's second - quarter

equity turnover on December was £65.791m (11,254 bargains). Acrive stocks yester-day, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were, ICI, GEC, Con-solidated Gold Fields, BP new, Lasmo, Shell, Marks & Spencer, Ultramar, Plessey, Imperial Group, Boots and BAT's.

Latest	results	•	
Profits Em	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay Year's date total
111.6(105.5)	31.8p(28.4p)	5.7(4.3)	7.8(6.1)
1.3(3.3)	2.3(8.3)	2.1(1.6)	— —(6.4)
—()	()	160(80)	7/2 . —(—)
0.22(0.19)	<u>()</u>	0.19(0.16)	8/4 —(—)
0.77(0.67)	8.1(9.0)	1.07(1.0)	1.07(1.82)
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()	()	15(8)	— 33(17) 30/1 —(2.11a)
0.12(0.18a) 1.7(1.5)	4.11(4.83a)	1.8(2.11a)	30/1 —(2.11a)'- 24/1 7.37(6,57)
0.77(0.51)	24.9(20.7) 12.7(11.1)	2.12(2.12) 3.5(` —)	6/2 3.5()
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—(- <u>1</u>)	—(~)	24(20)	32.5(55.0)
9.14(0.08)	6.7(3.8)	2.0(Nil)	30/1 —(—)
31.2(26.1)	18.5(15.8)	4.0(3.99)	7.3(7.0)
4.0(5.4)	13.2(18.7)	4.0(3.55)	29/1 8.5()
26.2(27.4)	24.0(25.8)	—{ }	<u> </u>
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_ ()	—(~ <u>)</u>	10(10)	7,72 17.5(17.5) 15/4 —(7.64)
1.11(0.94)	5.68(5.17)	4.0(3.27)	
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Engineers' strike cost Pegler Hattersley £1m in six months

First half figures from Pegler-

Hattersley, the domestic plumbing-to-industrial valves manufacturer, show the impact of the summer engineering strike and competition in markets.

Pretax profits fell from £5.4m last year to £4m in the six months to September 29, 1979. while turnover increased slightly from £46.5m to £49m. The group estimates that the

the group estimates that the engineering strike cost £1m in the first balf year. Additional losses will appear in the second six months. The dispute severely interrupted production at the United Kingdom operating units and went with a £300,000 drop in trading profits from steel valves, which has 70 per cent of its business over-

· The rise in sterling and price competition abroad, as well as sufficient to allow for any in-the strike, were the prime cul-



er Matthews, chairman of Pegler-Hattersley.

from the associate companies and McEvoy Oil Field Equip-ment and Guest and Chrimes also met strong competition in industrial markets. But earnings from South Africa and New Zealand where the group's pro-ducts are sold to the building industry were substantially higher

presently obtainable", said Sir Peter Matthews, chairman

A similar pattern emerged

Although the level of activity has improved and proficability has improved and proficability has picked up since the engineering workers' settlement in October the group does not expect to get hack to last year's pretax profit level of £14.2m. But it is possible that Pegler will match last year's second half pretax profit of £8.8m.

The intering dividend goes up . The interim dividend goes up from 5.5p gross to 5.7p and there is every chance that the final will rise by a similar prits in the valves downturn; there is every chance that the said the group.

"Demand for valves was not amount. The share price moved." up 2p to 120p on the announce-ment.

Baker Perkins down 61 pc

The losses at a German associate company, costing engin-eering group Baker Perkins Im left interim profits below market expectations and clipped 3p from the shares at 81p yesterday.

in the half-year to September 30, 1979, pre-tax profits amounted to £1.3m, compared with E3.3m for the previous period, while sales improved £3.5m to

The trading profit of the

eering strike which hit the Kose
Forgrove packaging machinery loss.
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manufacturer. Home demand. The flm provision in the first
manufacturer is expected wholly
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However, the real problem associate which turned in unexpected losses of fam in the half year. Order taking at the company ought to be back trading in the black by the end of the year. The interim dividend has been expected losses of fam in the half year. Order taking at the raised a third to 3p and assumbalf year. half year. Order taking at the German factory, which manu-factures chemical and food

from £2.3m to £1m, bindered by of last year and the subsequent the £300,000 cost of the engin- low margins and poor sales level coring strike which his the Rose turned a previous profit into a

ing a similar increase at the year end, the shares at 81p

Price rise for Inco

creases for the three main categories of finished nickel. But the company is also offering sizeable iron allowances, an effective discount sizeable iron allowances, an effective discount which re-flects stiff competition from ferro-nickel producers, especiallly in Europe.

The price increases are the

ary. Public announcements of prices were suspended in 1977

The new prices are: melting nickel, \$3.20 a pound (February 1979, \$2.05); plating nickel, \$3.25 (\$2.10); charge nickel

ber. The company and workers' representatives are meeting with the Arbitration, Concilia-The price increases are the non and Advisory Service to-fourth batch since Inco again day. It is believed that quoted prices publicly in Febru- Transport and General Workers

contained to £1.1m.

ment over 1978.

Net profit was £14.5m £1.4m.

Union officials have recommended its members to accept when the market was extremely Inco's offer of a 27 per cent

pay increase. Nickel prices are being pushed up by rising oil prices. Stocks are unusually low, and demand has been strong this

Phoenix sharply ahead

Pre-tax profit for the nine

General business losses at (£15.6m), and long term profit Phoenix Assurance rose sharply was £1.6m against £1.4m. Net in the first nine months of the premiums amounted to £272m year to £7.7m, compared with (£258m) while investment inyear to £7.7m, compared with (£258m) while investment in-52.0m in the same period of come was £33.5m (£28.9m). 1978. But the United States underwriting losses, which have the lome, fire and accident United Kingdom insurers, were in the third quarter, thereby

months was £26.6m, down from £27.4m. After adjustments for currency fluctuations, increases in general premium and invest-ment income were 12.0 per cent and 22.5 per cent respectively, both a marked improve-

will be \$3.11 in North America, year, especially in stainless Latin America and the Far steel, which accounts for about East after an iron allowance of 45 per cent of world demand.

reducing the deficit for the nine months to £1.9m (£2.9m). United States underwriting

broke even in the third quarter in spite of two hurricanes. Canadian results were lower, particularly cars. The market stayed weak in Europe, and better results in other coun-tries were outweighed by an Australian underwriting loss of

KCA Int sells stake in Furness Withy

KCA International, the oil service company chaired by Mr Paul Bristol, has disposed of its remaining 10.5 per cent stake in Kingsnorth Marine Drilling which is managed by Furness Withy.

KCA has also sold its one million ordinary shares in Furness which represented a 3.73 per cent. holding. It is believed that the two disposals are worth f5m to KCA.

Houlder Offshore has agreed to acquire all the Kingsnorth shares owned by KCA if the other shareholders do not take up their entitlements, Mr Bristol said that the cash would further strengthen KCA's balance sheet and would be partly used for the expansion of its oil service activities.

Mr Eric Morley to join Belhaven

Agreements have been reached between Belharen Brewery and Mr Eric Morley and between Belhaven and the vendors of Ashpoint which would involve Mr Eric Morley, Sir Fred Pontin and Mr Trevor Baines joining Belhaven and a crystallization of the form and amount of the consideration payable under the Ashpoint

Mr Morley will be appointed joint chairman and chief execu-tive of Belhaven and Sir Fred Pontin and Mr Baines will join the board. Mr Ronnie Aitken, the present chairman, will become joint chairman with Mr Morley. Mr Morley and asso-ciates will subscribe for 800,000 ordinary shares in Belhaven at

par as soon as shareholders'

approval has been obtained. Mr Morley and associates will also be granted an option to subscribe for a further 2.2m ordinaries in Belhaven at 30p each on or before September 30, 1981.

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax earnings are net. a For seven months, b Trading profit. c Cents. d Special interim. e 9 month.

As a result, assuming that options are taken up in full and that all incentive shares are allotted, the shareholdings in Behaven will be: Mr Morley and associates, 17.3 per cent; the vendors of Ashpoint, 23.5 per cent and institutional and other shareholders, 59.2

LCP pays £2m for car components group

LCP Holdings Group has acquired Motaproducts Automoacquired Motaproducts Automo-tive, which operates from prem-ises in Kings Norton, Birming-ham, as manufacturers and dis-tributors of motor components for the replacement parts mar ket. The consideration is £2m ket. The consideration is £2m, satisfied as to £425,500 in cash and the issue of 2.35m ordinary shares in LCP. The profit, before taxation, of Moprod for the year ended April 30, 1979 amounted to £218,000 and for the year ending April 30, 1980, is estimated to be in the region of £400,000. Net assets are estimated to be in the region. are estimated to be in the region of £1m at April 30, 1980.

FFI earns more at half-way

In the half-year to September 30, pre-tax profits of Finance for Industry rose from £12.18m to £15.02m. Investments totalled £120m (£115m) and at September 30 commitments for future

(£133m). Industrial and Com-mercial Finance Corp provides. £44m in loan and share capital to 413 small businesses.

J H Dennis' French offshoot closes

In the half-year to September 30, the turnover of James H. Dennis, the Manchester-based engineers, reached £1.57m compared with £1.81m for the seven pared with 1.131m for the seven months period to March 31. On the same basis, pre-tax profits were £121,000, against £181,000. The French offshoot, Fyrex, ceased trading on September 30. The loss to June 30 has been included in the latest figures; no further losses are expected. An interim dividend of 2.57p is being paid, compared with a total payment of 3.01p for the preceding seven months.

Big first-half rise at Jacksons B E

A big rise in profits is re-ported for the half-year to October 13 by Jacksons Bourne End, but the second half is unlikely to be as good.

profits jumped by 74.5 per cent to £149,400. Taxable profits for the whole of 1978-79 were £176,000. An interim dividend of 2.85p gross is being paid; for of 2.85p gross is being paid; for last year there was no interim, but a final of 4.28p. Trading for the half-year was affected in the later stages by industrial problems in the car trade, but, before this, activity had been maintained at a good level, particularly in the shoe component

investment had reached £186m field. With the uncertainties rassent in industry generally, the second half's results are unlikely to be as good as the

Panel conclusion on Palma Textiles

The Takeover Panel has con-cluded that Palma Textiles Group's purchases of shares in Montfort (Knitting Mills), now subject to an offer from David Dixon, do not contravene Rule

Palma, which like Montfort is based in Leicester and manufactures socks, holds a 17.17 per cent stake in the company. Mr. Peter Bailey, Palma's owner, has already said that he is not prepared to accept Dixon's prepared to accept Dixon's original offer which has since been increased to an equivalent

89p a share. The Panel said yesterday that there was no evidence of an overlap of commercial interests between the companies.

Williamson Tea remittances

A spasmodic flow of remit-On turnover 14.7 per cent tances from India has been resumed and part of Williamson
Tea Holdings' profits for 1975
and 1976 being £1.06m, has been
reparriated during 1979, the
board reports. The balance of
umemitted profits for the years
to the end of 1977 amounts to
about £2.5m, less any Indian tax
which may be levied and should
be repair ared within the next two years or so. These remittances, however, will be subject to the Indian authorities permission.

Dispute slows Coalite Same again interim profits strike also hit profits at the

from Coalite Group were a direct result of a two-month long internal strike which cost group several million

The dispute stopped production of 'coalite" and chemicals, and part of the costs will be carried through to the second half, Mr Charles Needbam managing director, said yesterday. In the six months to September 30, 1979, the group main-tained pre-tax profits at £6.3m on turnover 15 per cent up at

However one beneficial result of the strike was the reduced borrowings on the low stock

Charrington division.

Demand is now strong and Coalite is selling all the smoked less fuel it can produce. How ever the price of gas is still to competitive to warrant re opening the firm coaine production plant which has been modified balled since 1973.

Because of the uncertaintie

over the miners' pay claim the directors are making no for cast for the second half, but Mr Neetham warns share holders that a 20 per cent pa settlement would have to b passed on to the final users. The interim dividend he been increased by a quarter borrowings on the low storm levels, and interest credits 1.58p and if this rise is managed at the year end the shares, at 79p, yield a prospe

Stonehill 30 pc ahead

spending have helped stonebill from 5.4p gross to 5.7p.
Holdings, the domestic furni Stonebill, which mak
ture manufacturer, at the half- "Stateroom" furniture saw a way stage,

Pretax profits went shead during the first half ye.

by 30 per cent to a record part of which was contribut
£1.31m in the 32 weeks to by its mail order sales. All t
November 11, 1979, and turngroup's factories are worki

over rose by 29 per cent to £13.03m.

Mr Philip Steinberg, chairman, said that the trading results reflected the company's further penetration of the furnisure market. He added that the group would be able to meet any challenge, "whether it be additional demand or maintaining our position in the maintaining our position in the face of a national economic downsorr ".

The interim dividend ris which mak

at full capacity and it has a recently acquired new premis Mr Morris Steinberg, jo managing director, said t order books looked heavy i the second half even thou over rose by 29 per cent to furniture seles tend to fell just before Christmas. As result the group looks set pretax profits of £2m for full year. The share pr moved up 4p to 116p dur the day.

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Pegler Hattersley Limited

Group results for the first half year were materially affected by the national engineering strike, which severely disrupted following the settlement of the engineering production in our main U.K. operating units in August and September. Trading conditions in building products were firm, but demand for industrial steel valves, particularly in overseas markets, was not sufficient to allow for any improvement in the low margins presently obtainable. In our associate companies a similar pattern obtained. Whilst McEvoy Oil Field Equipment and Guest & Chrimes continued to experience severe competition in industrial markets, earnings in South Africa and New Zealand, where our products are mainly sold to the building industry, were

substantially higher.

Interim Statement 1979

Overall, the level of activity is now more satisfactory. Profitability has recovered. strike in October but, given the prevailing recessionary pressures, we cannot reasonably expect to make up, in the remainder of the year, all of the ground lost

The Board has declared an interim ordinary dividend of 4.0p per share, compared with 3.55p in 1978. The dividend will be payable on 29th January, 1980 to ordinary shareholders on the register at 31st December,

> Peter Matthews, Chairman

		Half '	Year to	Year to
	AND COMMENTS	29th Sept. 1979 £000	30th Sept. 1978 £000	31st Mar. 1979 £000
Sales (group companies)	••	49,131	46,531	95,845
Trading Profit		1,711	3,032	9,330
Share of associated company profits	••	2,129	2,337	4,496
Interest paid less received	••	(213)	(82)	(136)
Profit excluding metal stock appreciation		3,627	5,287	13,590
Metal stock appreciation – estimated		400	150	520
Profit before taxation	••	4,027	5,437	14,210
Taxation	••	_1,762	2,334	5,080
Profit after taxation		2,265	3,103	9,130
Dividends	••	1,177	1,043	2,521
Retained		1,088	2,060	6,609
Ordinary dividend per share - net	••	4.0p	3,550p	8.581p

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INDUSTRIAL RUBBER COMPONENTS - FABRICATIONS AND DESALINATION EQUIPMENT ΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦ

AEG rescue welcomed

German industry can be expected to take up a suitable portion of the Schuldschein promissory note loan included the rescue package, it

added.

The industrialists, invited to talks last night with leading members of the banking consortium involved in the rescue, expressed the readiness of German industry to show its solidarity with the measures, the bank said. Their support was given in ie interest of maintaining

the interest of maintaining AEG's important scientific and technological potential and against the background of German industry's international GULF CANADA president Mr John Stolk estimates 1979 earnings will be close to 50 per cent higher than in 1978 when it earned a restated 5187m. He said it was a healthy improvement after several flat years "but it certainly is not excessive".

Leading West German industrialists have welcomed the rescue package announced for the ailing electrical concern AEG-Telefunken, says Dresduer Bank. portion of its Syncrude interest which was optioned by the Alberta Energy Co.

International

TOYOTA MOTOR expects better profit and sales for the business year ending June 30, backed by good vehicle sales both at home and abroad. The yen's recent depreciation against the dollar is helping to mprove overseas sales income. A spokesman refused to confirm a Japanese financial daily Nihon Keizai report that Toyota is likely to report a record 250,000m yen profit before tax and special items for the current year on record

the current year, on record sales of 3,100,000m yen. MUTRHEAD-CYT

CYT Corp, an offshoot of Tyco Laboratories, acquired during week ended November 30, a further 85,000 hares, making its holding 1.1m shares (13.1 percent) BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

The following are the figures for the balance of payments released by the Tressury vesterday (all figures in Em). Capital Nows +4.406 -2.567 - 181 - 787 ÷ 984 ÷1,464 + 678 Foreign currency The Government has replaced the concept of "not currency flow" by "balance for official insencing". The steet change issolved to the preservence of "bubic sector borrowing under the exchange cover scheme. "from above the financing line to below it. The item is now conceived as a financing component Presidually it expected under the heatings "overseas insentrated in the United Kingdom public sector" and "overseas currency borrowing by United Kingdom banks."

D.B. EURÓBOND : D.B. EUROBOND:
Deutsche Bank has confirmed,
as lead manager, that the World
Bank is negotiating a DM250m
Eurobond with expected 7f per
cent coupon and 10-year maturity.
Final terms are due to be set on December 12.—Reuter.

GALVESTON HOUSTON A \$10m 15-year Eurobond issue of Galveston-Houston International Finance NV has been priced at par bearing 8.0 per cent annually, the syndicate manager, kidder Peabody International, said. GREEK EURODOLLAR

Canadian imperial Bank of Commerce and its affiliates have concluded a loan agreement in London for US 550m with Hellenic Aircraft Industry of Athens. The margins are half per cent over LIBOR for the first nine years and fixesights are care during the and five eights per cent during the EURATOM LUXEMBOURG
A 500m Luxembourg Franchoud for Eurotom, the EEC's atomic energy authority, is expected to be launched next Monday. Indicated terms are as eight year life and a 94 per cent coupon.

Renter

ENGLISH CARD CLOTHING and the half-year to September 29, pre-tax profits of English Card Clothing edged forward from fi.11m to fi.12m. Turnover rose from f9.35m to £10.09m. The Indian resnits were affected by a reduction in the investment from 77.5 to 57.3 per cent and a 12.8 per cent appreciation in sterling against the rupes since September. against the rupee since September 1978. The company is now a sub

sidiary of Carclo Engineering. BOGOD-PELEPAH Turnover for half-year to September 30, 52.53m (52.19m). Pre-tax profits, 5220,000 (£190,000). CLUFF OIL

At EGM shareholders approved At EGM shareholders approved an increase in the authorised capital from 14m to 110m and at same time approved the one-for-one bonus issue. Formal approval received from Chinese perroleum suthorities to join Amoco Group for the seismic survey of the Hainan area of the South China Sea.

J. W. WASSALL Turnover for half-year to Sep-tember 30, up from £912,000 to £1.2m and pre-tax profits up from £29,000 to £34,000.

FAIRLINE BOATS Turnover for year to September 30, 55.01m (against 53.58m). Board reports that expected furnover of 25.17m was not achieved because of production and delivery delays. of production and delivery delays. Pre-tax profits up from £514,000 to

£771,000, compared with forecast of not less than £750,000. As forecast, final dividend of 5p gross. Fairline came to marker by way of placing in June.

Briefly

Thourn Biectrical's offers for EMI accepted for 84.7 per cent of ordinary stock and over 80 per cent of both classes of preference. The cash offer has been accepted for 23.4m Thorn shares (75.2 per cent of maximum) and cash offer has now closed.

TRICENTROL
Tricentrol has elected to provide for payment of £188,502 due to Opman International (UK) for .its royalty interest in Tricentrol's share of production from Thistie Field for quarter to November 30 by issue of 70,735 Tricentrol shares.

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ROWLINSON CONSTRUCTION Trading profit for half year September 30, £31,300 (aga £108,000). Interim dividend 0.25p gross (0.27p). Full ye results should be similar to

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THORN ELECTRICAL **INDUSTRIES LIMITED**

(Registered in England No. 229231)

Issue of up to 73,617,156 7 per cent. Convertible Redeemable Second Cumulative Preference Share: 1992/99 of £1 each credited as fully paid pursuant to the Offer for the Ordinary Stock of EMI Limited.

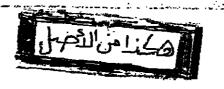
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copies of such particulars may be obtained durin usual business hours on any weekday (Saturday excepted) up to and including 20th December, 1979. Hambros Bank Limited, Rowe & Pitman, Hurst-Brown 51 Bishopsgate,

> London, E.C. 6th December, 197

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Mr Hamish **Orr-Ewing** to head

Business appointments

Rank Xerox

Mr Hamish Orr Ewing has been appointed chairman of Rank Xeros in succession to Mr J. Maldwyn Thomas who, as announced earlier

for the first cannings Knight has seen appointed chairman of kluwer (Publishers, Printers and

Options

The Stock Exchange Council has reversed an earlier decision not to allow BP new shares to requirement. This decision will allow dealers to trade in the allow dealers to trade in the shares until they become fully paid in February but is likely to have the effect of lowering the premium on BP's January out of money options. Meanwhile, business in traded options yesterday rose slightly with the total amount of con-tracts completed rising from Conditions in tradition options were quieter than late although interest was pressed in Coral Leisure.

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The New Brunswick **Electric Power Commission**

The Prospectus dated January 16, 1376 calls for the redemption of \$2,000,000 principal amount of Rotes of January 15, 1980. principal amount of Notes of January 15, 1999.

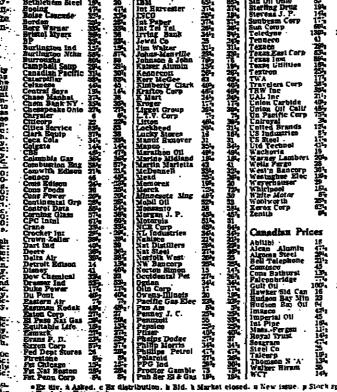
As explained in the Prospectus and shown on the Notes, purchases of \$2,000,000 principal amount of Notes were made on the open market. The Notes were cancelled and destroyed with certificates of destroyed in the refer retained by the Piscal Agent, Bank of Montreal Trust Company, 2 Wait Surcet, New York, M.Y. 1005.

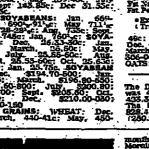
With the purchase of \$2,000,000 principal amount of these Notes and subsequent cancellation, the Sinking Pund condition set not in the Prospectus has been met and no sinking fund call will be made on January 15, 1990. THE NEW BRUNSWICK ELECTRIC POWER COMMISSION

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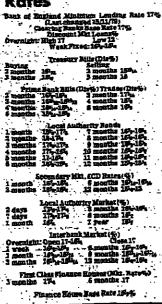


The Bank of England gave help or an extremely large scale to relieve the shortage of funds caused by the £710m "call" that fell due on 13t per cent Treasury 2000/3 yesterday. The bulk of this assistance was channeled via the purchase of an extremely large quantity of Treasury bills, some of which were taken directly from the houses, some from banks, and some negotisted under agreement for resale to the houses at a fixed fitture date.

In addition, the bank bought a small quantity of local authority bills from the houses, the whole hill purchasing operation staying within the extremely large classification.

During the morning, with money difficult to find, some houses paid 17 per cent for fresh funds. Progress was very limited, but once the authorities had given assistance, rates dropped smartly to allow cloting balances to be found in the band of 12 per cent to 14 per cent.

Money Market



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premium in the market and flat. are attractive to buyers in all Other features are an in-ders of Kent and Sussex. price brackets. So it's no sur-door swimming pool and Here, the gardens and prise that old water mill con-adjoining entertainment grounds of about an acre are attractive to buyers in all versions can command such

older properties. Two good agents are Savills. examples of such houses are currently for sale.

One is Reed House, at bigh standard.

views across the river and Of all the kinds of view the accommodation includes which can add the finishing a drawing room with a dectouch to a good setting for orative pine ceiling and bedrooms and another room, a house, one which affords at cinema facilities; a dining with extensive views, now least a glimpse of water is room; a main bedroom suite used as a study or sitting with a bathroom and two room. The property is for Properties which have dressing rooms; two guest sale at about £110,000 and more than a glimpse, and suites of bedroom and bath- the agents are Mann and Co. particularly those which have room; two further bedrooms, of Weybridge. their own frontage to river and a fourth bathroom. There or lake, have something of a is also a self-contained staff

room, a gate house with an high prices.

electric gate connected to a lake. The house itself is prob
The same thing goes for closed circuit television, and ably about 250 to 300 years near Oxford, which has been a grade two listing as being more modern houses, even if gardens and grounds of some old and has two large inter
put up for sale by Mr of special architectural or

they lack something of the four acres which include a picturesque qualities of the helicopter landing pad. The

The other riverside property is one called Thames Side, at Mapledurham, near Hamble, Hampshire, with a Caversham, Berkshire. This direct frontage to the Ham- was built about 14 years ago ble River and open to offers and has about one third of of about £150,000, but with a an acre of land with about number of other unusual at- 50ft frontage to the Thames. tractions as well. It was built Accommodation here inabout nine years ago to a cludes a reception and dining hall, two other main reception rooms, and a breakfast room off the All the main rooms have breakfast

Upstairs there are three

An older property is Benham Mill, not far from Tunbridge Wells on the borders of Kent and Sussex. include their own stream-fed



Balmoral House, Alderney, which has been bought by Mr

room.

There is garaging for three £90,000 are being asked burned down and rebuilt in through Braxtons, of Tunthe same style. bridge Wells.

connecting sitting rooms, a Michael Astor. The present dining room, three bedrooms house is on the site of a 12th is built of brick, partly and a study or fourth bed-century abbey and was built tile-bung, under a tiled roof, about 1720 by the Cope family. Some 60 years later. period. Accommodation is cars. Offers in the region of the back of the house was

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in the region of £140,000 are and four bedrooms and a Mosely, Card and Co, of Ton- has been modernized and the Battle.

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The house dates from Vicup a little over 11 acres and sea. include outbuildings and a

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It has two main reception garage. Offers over £100,000 rooms, a large kitchen day are being asked through room, a billiards room and Strutt and Parker, of Salis a games room. In addition there are five bedrooms and a guest flat. Cardens and grounds total about 1; acres. The sale, believed to have been in the region of £100,000, was through the island estate agent, C. Bell

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• It was, I believe, Russell Harty who was snapped at, glared at, put down and generally given a rough ride, the last time I saw John Osborne being interviewed on television. Instead of becoming more mellow with age, the playwright seems to have become even more prickly. He celebrates his 50th birthday within days and, to mark the occasion, today's edition of After Noon Plus (Thames, 2.00) is given over entirely to him. He will be interviewed, live, by Mavis Nicholson. I wish her well. She is nobody's fool and nobody's sycophant and I am sure Mr. Osborne will latch on to these facts from the outset. Either way, it should prove a highly watchable encounter, especially as we will also see clips from several films based on Mr Osborne's plays and listen to Alan Brien, another straight-talker, delivering a critical summary of Mr Osborne, the semi-centenarian.

• Tonight's TV Eve (ITV, 8.30) ishould be worth half an hour of anyone's time. It contains coverage of the first interview with some of the 50 hostages held in the American embassy in Tehran. We do not actually see the programme's reporter Julian Manyon talking to them. He had to submit his list of questions to the armed students who are the captors, and the hostages' replies. were then tape-recorded. At the same time, still pictures were taken of the 50 and these will be interspersed between the questions and answers. Much interest will, of course, attach to the hostages' replies to the question : are you agents of

 Six down, one more to go. Diamonds in the Sky (BBC 2 9.30), the documentaries about civil aviation, continue to fulfil the promise of the opening segments. Tonight's concentrates on the myriad activities of a British Airways team in the Middle East. One of the diplomatically sensitive matters it takes in is the sonic boom emitted by Concorde as it flew over the palace of the ruler of Abu Dhabi. The airliner had to be slightly re-routed. Oil not only talks: it shouts.

• Statistically if nothing else, tonight's broadcast of The Mikado (Radio 4, 7.30) sounds impressive: 37-piece orchestra, 31 singers, 16-track stereophonic sound. It was recorded not at London's comparatively small Westminster Theatre where this production was originally staged not so long ago, but at the Golders Green Hippodrome where I presume the statistics could be more comfortably accommodated. The cast is the same, however, with Neil Jenkins as Nanki-Poo, Thomas Lawlor as Pooh-Bah and Janis Kelly as Yum-Yum.

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TELEVISION

6.55 Tomorrow's World: Because

of the recent dispute, this is a reprise edition. Items include: using rocks as part of a communi-

cations system, a hospital war on ants, and fuel from waste. 7.20 Top of the Pops: Simon Bates introduces this pop music pro-

gramme. 8.00 Blankety Blank: amateur con-

S.W. Siankery Hank: amateur concestants, compete against the professionals who, tonight, are:
Arthur Askey, Wendy Craig, Liza
Goddard, David Hamilton, Diane
Keen and Derek Nimmo.
8.30 The Dawson Watch: the target
for Les Dawson's comic shafts
tonight is the media, including the
BBC itself. Mr Dawson contributes
to the script of this improving
series.

12,45 pm News and weather. 12.45 pm News and weather.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One; A notable occasion today: the guest is Peter. Ustanov. Any further comment would be superfluous.

1.45 The Plumps: a story with pictures—Julie Holder's Quiet Please [1]. Closedown at 2.00

3.55 Play School: Michael Shoesmith's grow Pinagonle Story smith's story Pineapple Story. 4.20 Deputy Dawg: cartoon. Long Island Duckling (r).

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4.25 Jackanory: Janet Maw with another reading from Gillan Avery's The Elephant War.
4.46 Screen Test: young children are asked movie questions. Also, we see Hollywood House, a film by Coung director Also, lean Burn. by Soung director Alison Barr. 5.05 John Craven's Newstound: news terms tor young viewers. 5.35 Ivor the Engine: Oliver Posbate's story Juggernaut (r).
5.40 News: with Angela Rippon.
5.55 Natlowide: what is happening
in London and the regions.

11.00 am Play School same as BBC 1, 3.55. Close down at 11.25. 4.40 pm Open University 4.40 Numbers and Reasoning, 5.05 The

Pre-School Child.

5.35 Laurel and Hardy: County
Hospital. Stanley goes to visit an
injured Oliver in hospital.

5.50 Film: No Limit (1935). The

5.50 Pilor: No Limit (1935). The George Formby senson continues with this typical tale of a chimney sweep who enters the TT races on the lale of Man. Formby's co-star is that good impressionist Florence Desmood, whose screen career never came to much.*
7.10 News: with sub-titles for the band of hearing.

9.30 am Once Upon a Time: Peter Davison tells the story of The Run-

parson tens the story of the Run-away Bus.

9.45 Ceremonies of the Tower of London: the dide says it ail.

18.15 Family: American series.

Mainly dramatic in content.

11.25 Survival Special: Forbidden

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narrates in this film about savage

Whilonian tribesmen.

Ethiopian tribesmen. 11.55 The Bubblies: cartoon. Dig-

ging to Australia.
12.00 Animal Kwackers: for young

12:10 pm Rainbow: the theme today is shoulders.
12:30 The Sullivans: Australian

family stories. 1.00 News: with Peter Sissons. 1.20

Thames News.

1.30 Arnchair Theatre: part 2 of the Limbo Connection. Film writer lames Bolan, in trouble with the

police. 2.00 After Noon Plus: Interview

2.00 After Noon Plus: Interview with John Osborne who is 50 this week (see Personal Choice).
2.45 Lendon Belongs to Me: the Norman Collins book, serialized. Today: a petition to save a convicted murderer.
3.45 Looks Familiar: showbusiness

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Pre-School Child.

THAMES

series.

9.00 News: with Richard Baker.

9.25 Play for Today: The Slab
Boys. Set in the paint room of a
carpet factory in the 1930s, John
Byrne's play was a success at the
Edinburgh Festival and later at the
Royal Court in London. Tom Wat-

Bsks: do our standards make the grade? In the studio: Mark Carlisle, Secretary of State for Education, and shadow education spokesman. Neil Kinnock.
7.55 Maestro: Fred Perry. Only one tennis player. Borg, has beaten Perry's record of three successive championship victories at Wimbledon. He is interviewed by Desmond don. He is interviewed by Desmond Lynam.

8.25 Premiere: Deasey (Desperate).
Directing debut by Robert Walker
in a comedy by Ron Hutchinson.
About an Irish reporter (Bill
Nighy) who daydreams about writing a great novel.

9.00 Kelly Monteith: the fourth
show in this American comedian's
series for the BBC. Gabrielle Drake
plays his wife in some discribes.

hard of hearing.

7.20 Newsweek: this edition is plays his wife in some sketches.

devoted to education in Britain. It 9.30 Diamonds in the Sky: penulti-

quiz. Denis Norden is the MC. Guests are Roy Budd, Alfred Marks, Paddy O'Neil. 4.15 Project UFO: American drama

series about strange things in the

5.15 Mr and Mrs; matrimonial

6.25 Help! Post Office carol sing-ers who are helping the aged this Christmas.

6.35 Crossroads: morel series. A family removal makes Glenda Brownlow unbappy.
7.00 Britain's Strongest Man: the

competition continues, with men tearing up telephone books and lifting cars.

lifting cars.
7.30 Charlie's Angels: American

7.30 Charie's Angels: American series about women crime fighters. Farrab Fawcett, one of the original "angels", returns as a guest.

8.30 TV Eye.

9.00 Fallen Here: serial about a former Rugby League player.

Tonight: Teddy Ross pockets Gareth's share of the night club cakings.

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10.00 News.
10.30 Thames Report.
11.00 The Streets of San Francisco:

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Close. mate feature in this series of seven about air travel, presented by Julian Pettifer. All about a British Airways team operating in the Middle East (see Personal Choice). 10.20 Richard Stilgoe: comedy and music. Tonight, Mr Stilgoe dons daffodil-yellow crinoline and matching bonner to celebrate the centenary of the birth of Rudolf Friml with a song from Rose Marie. 10.45 News and weather. 11.00 Something Else: repeat of last Saturday's programme from Belfast. Items on sectarianism in the city, and punk rock. 11.40 Poetry: Rosalind Shanks reads another two of the poems entered for this year's National Poetry Competition. Results are given tomorrow night at 10.30.

11.10 News headlines.

Regions

11.12 Frank Sinatra: Ol' Eluc Eves

is Back. The singer's "come-back" concert, in 1973. His guest is Gene Kelly. Mr Sinatra's songs tonight include Send in the Cloway.

12.05 am Weather. Close down at 12.10,

given tomorrow night at 10.30. Close down at 11.50.

Mavis Nicholson, who inter-

12.00 What the Papers Say: reviewing the press this week is Frank Johnson, of Now! magazine.
12.20 am Close: Poetry readings by Vince Hill.

views John Osborne on After Noon Plus (ITV, 2.0).

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Radio 3 6.55 am Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Records: Walton, maninov, Salzedo, Dvorak.† 8.00 News. 8.03 Records: Smetana, Massanet,

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7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Time for Verse.
7.30 Opera: The Mikado, by Gilbert and Sullivau.†
9.30 Kaleidoscope.
10.00 The World Tonight.
11.00 A Book at Bedtime.
11.15 Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parllament.
12.00 News, weather. VHF only 6.15-7.10 pm Open University: Music interlude; Into the Open (3)—learning from television and radio; The First Years of Life—As the Twig is Bent. 12.00 News, weather. 12.15-12.23 am Inshore forecast. Radio 2

5.00 am News. weather. 5.03 Steve Jones.; 7.32 Terry Wogan.; 10.03 limmy Young.; 12.15 pm Waggorers' Walk. 12.30 Derek Hobson.; 2.15 David Hamilton.; 4.15 Much More Music.; 5.00 News. 6.50 am Regional news, weather.
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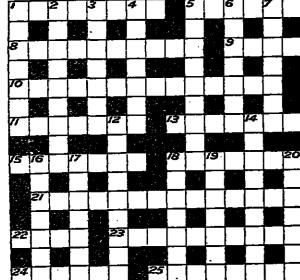
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